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MASS RAIDS IN SOUTH
PRELUDE TO INVASION?

Speculation Still Rife On Canton Developments

MR. HSU
SHIH-YING
IN HANKOW

Hankow, To-day.
Mr. Hsu Shih-ying, Chinese Ambassador in Tokyo, accompanied by Mr. Shao Ju-lin, Consul-General in Yokohama, arrived in Hankow yesterday afternoon by air from Hong Kong to report to the Government on the latest situation in Japan.
Gen. Chiang Kai-shek gave a dinner to the former Ambassador last night.—Reuter.

JAPANESE
SWITCH DRIVE
MAKING BID FOR
CHENGCHOW

Hankow, To-day.
With Chuchow, south of Pengpu, as their base, Japanese forces are advancing north along the T.P.R. line towards Hsuehchowfu, while another column is advancing south-west towards Hoi-fei.

Objectives of these drives are not yet obvious, but the Japanese seem to be aiming at a bigger and more far-reaching objective by striking overland towards Chengchow, in Honan, thus outflanking the entire Chinese force on the Lunghai Railway and seriously endangering Hankow.

Aside from holding the Japanese troops across the Hwai River, heavy Chinese reinforcements are at present stationed amongst the hills east of Hoi-fei for the purpose of checking the Japanese drive west, and are also attacking the Japanese flank on the T.P.R.—Reuter.

JAPANESE CLAIM

Tokyo, To-day.

An official communique says that the Japanese troops drove the Chinese from the south bank of the Hwai River yesterday.

The Japanese, it is claimed, have taken Sanchiaying, west of Pengpu, and Shangyao.—Trans-Ocean.

Comparative Calm
Prevailing
To-Day

Canton, To-day.

Although military vigilance had not relaxed, Canton was relatively quiet this morning, and the situation appears to be slowly returning to normal.

The boom across the Pearl River above Bocca Tigris is still closed and is likely to continue so in view of yesterday's shelling and the persistency of rumours of an imminent Japanese landing.

The mass air raids carried out over the province yesterday were on an unprecedented scale and coupled as they were with naval bombardments of Bocca Tigris and Chekwan, some military quarters are inclined to view developments as a prelude to invasion.

It is even suggested in some quarters that information has been received predicting a landing of between 50,000 and 60,000 men on Monday or Tuesday.

SPECULATION RIFE

Meanwhile, speculation is still rife regarding the real significance of events in Canton yesterday. There seems to be no doubt that serious trouble of some kind was anticipated and averted, and there appears to be strong foundation for belief that a pro-Japanese coup was in the making.

The authorities, however, preserve a complete silence on happenings and deny reports that fighting actually occurred in several parts of the city yesterday when, the report suggests, suspected traitors resisted arrest.—Our Own Correspondent.

TUNGSHAN ACTIVITY

All appears to be quiet in Canton this morning. Martial law is still in force at night, and in this

connection one corner of Tungshan is bristling with military activities. One foreigner states that several thousand Chinese troops are stationed there.

The Italian Consul-General and Vice-Consul, who lived in this district, have temporarily moved to Shameen.

Meanwhile, the air raid alarm

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K.C.R. RUNS
EXTRA TRAIN
TO COPE WITH
PASSENGERS

Owing to the suspension of the Hong Kong-Canton shipping service yesterday, thousands of prospective passengers thronged the Kowloon Railway Station shortly after mid-day with the result that an additional train went to Canton last night.

At 4 p.m. accommodation on the evening express, which was due to leave at 6 p.m., was all sold out, over 1,300 boarding the train while over 1,000 were left standing on the station.

The railway authorities, at the last moment, decided to run an additional express to cope with the situation and subsequently a later train left for Canton at 7.05 p.m. also crowded to capacity.

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HARUNA MARU
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London, To-day.

The N.Y.K. liner "Haruna Maru" left for the Far East to-day from London without loading her cargo.

This follows the action of stevedores in refusing to load cargo which they believed would be used by Japan in the war against China.—Reuter.

Does Your Cake Fall When It Is Taken Out Of The Oven then this article is for you

Does your cake fall when you take it out of the oven? If so, this article is intended for you. We know how every woman wants her cakes to be a success, and when she tries over and over, and yet the cakes have some fault of texture, taste or appearance, it is most discouraging. Cake ingredients and oven fuel must be estimated, and it is disheartening to waste not only time but money when the cake fails to please. So read this entire article carefully.

[QUALITY MATERIALS]

The quality of any finished product can be only as good as the quality of the raw material employed in its making. Nothing could be a greater mistake than to use third-grade eggs, renovated or "second" butter and inferior spices in cake making. "Bake with the best" is a good motto for the cake-maker to follow. Rather do without cake than attempt a fine product with risky ingredients. Use the best of butters, eggs which are genuinely fresh (stale eggs will never whip light and stiff) and genuine spices which have been recently opened from air-tight cans.

[ASSEMBLE ALL INGREDIENTS]

Much time and effort is saved if materials and equipment is assembled before the slightest attempt at mixing is made. On a table, get together the bowls, beaters and the right cake pan to be used. See that it is absolutely clean, and if it needs greasing, dusting with flour or lining with paper, do all this in advance. Be sure the pan is the right size for the recipe to be used: baking in a very thin layer may toughen a mixture which would be light and fluffy when baked thicker, etc. Look at the oven and get it ready to light. Also

assemble cake ingredients in correct quantities in advance.

[UNDERSTAND TECHNIQUE]

The young housekeeper may not always be familiar with recipe terms and technique. Thus when it says "cream" the butter, it means to beat the butter over and over so that it does literally "cream" and become milky. When the recipe says "beat," it generally means the use of a rotary egg beater or a large cake spoon having slits in it to allow the entrance of air. When it says "fold" it does not mean beat: to fold means to incorporate one mass into another with a light over-and-over motion which will not break up the air bubbles. It is most important to know this term and to use it rightly. When it demands "sift flour" this indicates that the flour must be sifted before measuring in order to secure the right proportion. Be sure that your measuring cup is a genuine standard cup, with accurate level measurements indicated on one side, and that the measuring spoon is also a true standard spoon. Very frequently the so-called measuring cup is entirely inaccurate, often failing by several ounces of the right contents. 1 standard measuring cup holds 16 level ounces. In making very fine or unusual cakes it is best to measure ingredients on the more accurate kitchen scale.

[TWO CHIEF TYPES]

It must be borne in mind that there are two chief and entirely different main types of cakes. One is a Butter Cake, which as its name implies contains a considerable amount of butter as an ingredient. The other, the Sponge Cake, has no butter or other shortening, and is made with a different technique. Suppose we look for a moment at this simple standard or Basic Recipe for Butter Cake, and see how we should mix and bake it:

- 1/3 cup of butter shortening
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 2 egg yolks, well beaten
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 cups pastry flour
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 2/3 cup milk

2 egg whites, stiffly whipped

Cream shortening, add sugar gradually and cream together thoroughly. Add beaten yolks and beat until well blended. Add vanilla. Sift together all dry ingredients. Add alternately with milk to first mixture. Fold in stiffly whipped whites. Use greased loaf pan, and bake about 1 hour, moderate oven (350 degrees F.); or use greased layer cake pans and bake about 25 minutes, moderate oven (375 degrees F.). (Makes 1 small loaf or 2 9-inch layers).

I may say, parenthetically, that if you can make one good delicious and delicate butter cake, you are able to make a hundred variations of it! You may bake it in one loaf or in several layers; you may add

various chopped ingredients to the mix; you may flavour it differently or colour it as you please; and of course you may entirely change its character by the type, colour and method of frosting its surfaces.

[10 SECRETS OF SUCCESS]

1. Cream shortening. Never melt it, but with a cake spoon, soften and beat the butter until it looks milky.
2. Add sugar slowly. About 1 tablespoon at a time so the sugar crystals will become incorporated fully.
3. Add egg yolks, one at a time. And beat well after each addition.
4. Sift all dry ingredients together 3 times, to achieve the most perfect blending.
5. Add dry ingredients alternately with milk or liquid, to avoid the lumps which might occur if added too suddenly.
6. Add flavouring.
7. Fold in stiffly whipped whites. Beat until whites begin to stand in peaks and whip can be removed dry.
8. Pour into pan greased with a non-salty shortening. Fill pan only 2/3 full to allow space for rising.
9. Bake at specified temperature for cake of its type.
10. Cake is baked when it shrinks from the pan, when it springs as it's lightly pressed with the finger, and when it allows a straw or wire tester to "come clean" after being inserted in the cake.

[SPONGE CAKE]

And now for the other type of cake, the Sponge Cake:

- 6 egg yolks, well beaten
- 1 cup granulated sugar, sifted
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 6 egg whites, whipped stiff
- 1 cup sifted pastry flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

Beat egg yolks with wire whip until thick and lemon-coloured. Gradually add sifted sugar, beating continually. Add lemon rind and juice. Using a large platter and a wire "shoe" beater, whip egg whites stiff but not dry. Fold half egg whites into first mixture. Fold in dry ingredients sifted together 3 times. Fold in remaining egg whites. Pour into greased tube pan. Bake about 50 minutes, moderate oven (350 degrees F.). Remove from oven and invert to cool. It may be noted that when beating eggs for sponge cake mixtures,

it is advisable to use the flat or "shoe" type of beater rather than the more familiar rotary beater. Also, by beating the whites on a large platter, and adding small quantities at a time, what amounts to a meringue is achieved. This is just the mixture which is really the basic foundation of all "sponge" mixtures, including the soufflé which is baked in a casserole.

Another point: butter cakes require that the baking pan be greased, floured and even lined with paper. Sponge cakes are always baked in an ungreased pan so that they will not "stick." Invert the cake pan to cool so that the sponge cake "hangs" while cooling. This shrinks the cake, and makes it easier to remove from the pan.

[WHY CAKES FAIL]

And now here are many reasons why cakes fail. Suppose you look through them carefully and see if you can locate the particular trouble of your particular cake:

Failure—Cake "falls"; **Probable Cause—** Too little flour; or too much fat; or too much baking powder.

Failure—Cake has cracks or humps; **Probable Cause—** Too much flour; or too little baking powder. **Failure—Cake is heavy and gummy;** **Probable Cause—** Too much sugar; or too little baking powder.

Failure—Cake has moist sticky crust; **Probable Cause—** Too much sugar.

Failure—Cake is coarse grained; **Probable Cause—** Too much fat; or too much baking powder; or too little mixing; or too slow baking.

Failure—Cake has mottled "macaron" crust; **Probable Cause—** Too much sugar; or too slow an oven.

Failure—Cake is dry; **Probable Cause—** Too much flour; or too little fat; or too much baking powder.

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1. When anyone in your family calls you, do you answer (a) "What?" or (b) "Yes, mother!" or James, or Mary, or whoever it is. Or (c) "Coming!"

2. At meal tables, do you (a) help yourself to the condiments you want and wait until everyone is served before you start eating; or (b) do you wait until everyone else has everything they want before helping yourself; or do you (c) help yourself first and start eating as soon as the food is in front of you?

3. If a business friend of someone else in the family calls unexpectedly in the evening, do you (a) ask him to wait in an empty room, or (b) do you take him straight into the room where the family is sitting, or (c) do you ask him to come into the hall for a moment while you fetch the person he wants to see?

4. Do you tolerate the fads of other members of the household (like mother's wanting the cushions always in the same order on the settee), or do you (b) disarrange the cushions because you never can remember, or do you (c) carry on doing things your way only, because you're sure it's the best way?

5. When you are all talking together in the evening, do you pretend to be interested in what someone else is saying, even though you're not really listening and mean to start talking about your pet subject as soon as there is a chance, or do you (b) knowing that you are a good conversationalist, talk for a long time about your affairs and take no further part in the conversation as soon as you have finished, or do you (c) take an interest in what the others are saying and steer their remarks on to the subject you're interested in?

6. When any member of your family is in a mood and obviously

Am I Easy to Live with?

The girl who's doing the talking, thinks she is being so entertaining. What kind of a conversationalist are you? Tactful or...



doesn't want to talk to anyone, do you (a) try to draw him out of it by chatting brightly on trivialities, or do you (b) say nothing and let him get on with it, or do you (c) ask a lot of questions trying to find out what is the matter?

7. If you are asked to do anything that you think is going to put you out, do you (a) do it willingly and afterwards remind everybody that you have done it, or do you (b) do it and forget about it, or do you (c) do it, making it obvious that it is a nuisance?

8. If you are asked for your opinion about some family problem, do you (a) say, "Well, really, you must please yourself—no body can decide for you," or do you (b) say that the obvious thing to do is so-and-so, and then get offend-

ed if your advice is not followed exactly, or do you (c) listen to the problem, and then weigh up the "for" and "against" without giving a definite opinion?

9. If you're natural, you like to know what your family's correspondence is about. Do you (a) ask questions; (b) drop casual hints

that you'd like to know, or (c) say nothing and hope for the best?

10. Do you: (a) Think that each member of the family should keep his or her individual interests apart from the family, or do you (b) think that each person's individual interests should be shared by every member of the family, or do you (c) think that home and outside interests should be of equal importance?

HOW TO SCORE

If you are honest, you'll answer "Yes" to one section of each question. These are the values of each section if the answer is "Yes":

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| 1. (a) 0; (b) 4; (c) 2. |
| 2. (a) 2; (b) 4; (c) 0. |
| 3. (a) 4; (b) 2; (c) 0. |
| 4. (a) 4; (b) 2; (c) 0. |
| 5. (a) 2; (b) 0; (c) 4. |
| 6. (a) 4; (b) 2; (c) 0. |
| 7. (a) 2; (b) 4; (c) 0. |
| 8. (a) 2; (b) 0; (c) 4. |
| 9. (a) 0; (b) 2; (c) 4. |
| 10. (a) 2; (b) 0; (c) 4. |

If your score is anything between 30 and 40—you're a pleasure to live with. Between 24 and 30, you're nearly a pleasure, but not quite. Between 16 and 24, you're tolerable. Between 10 and 16, you should improve, and if you're below 10—go and live alone!

Failure—Cake has uneven colour; **Probable Cause**—Too little mixing; or too fast baking.

In short, most of the failures in cake making are caused by two main reasons: (1) the proportion of ingredients one to another is incorrect; (2) the baking is handled wrongly.

In short, most of the failures in of accurate and correct measurements in order to secure a right composition or blending or formula for the cake mixture. Too often the baker handles the ingredients in a careless manner, though she may not think so. An ounce more butter or two ounces more flour or a heaped-up cup of sugar may be sufficient to unbalance the recipe, and then, alas, the cake "fails."

[SECOND REASON]

And now for the second reason, that of right baking. To-day, with heat regulators on most improved ranges, there is little excuse for guessing at temperature. The old way of putting a piece of white paper into the oven and watching until it curled and became brown, or of putting your hand in the oven to feel the heat, are as outmoded as they always were—unscientific guesswork. Any woman with a good modern range can easily know her temperatures. Butter cakes require the oven to be preheated, so that the mixture begins to cook as soon as it is placed within. On the other hand, sponge cake mixtures, especially angel cake, should be placed in a practically cold oven, and the heat

brought up slowly so that the eggs will rise and inflate as much as possible before the mixture is really baked and thus "set." If your range does not have an oven regulator, use a portable oven thermometer which may be set on the rack. Study your oven and learn the best place for special heating requirements.

[TEMPERATURE CHART]

Angel Food—Put in cold oven, and gradually raise to 300-325 F.
Sponge or Sunshine—Put in cold oven, and gradually raise to 300-325 F.

Chocolate or Devil's Food—350 F.

Plain Loaf Cakes—350 F.
Plain Layer Cakes—350-375 F.
Thin Sheet Cakes—375-400 F.
Cup Cakes—375 F.

[FLOUR]

Another question asked frequently by readers is what kind of flour to use in cake making. For making cakes which call for a spongy or fluffy texture, always use special cake flour. Such flour is put through special machinery and sifting through fine cloth so that the product is fine, even and light. It gives fine-textured cakes which are tender and retain their moisture for considerable periods. When making cakes like the heavier butter mixtures, use either cake flour or pastry flour which has been well sifted. Do not use bread flour which, while excellent for bread-making, is not so satisfactory for cakes, owing to its gluten (sticky) content which tends to make the dough rubbery or bread-like.



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ADMIRAL HASEGAWA'S TACTFUL HANDLING OF INTERNATIONAL SITUATION

Tokyo, To-day.

The morale of officers and men of the Japanese fleet in Chinese waters is exceptionally high, now that the Government's fundamental China policy has been established, Vice-Admiral Hasegawa, C.-in-C. of the fleet, informed the Japanese nation yesterday in a message through Capt. Yamasaki, Staff Officer at Imperial General H.Q.

The message assured the nation that the fleet will "bend every ounce of energy to exterminate anti-Japanese elements in China, at the same time dealing tactfully with the delicate international situation, so as to obtain the ultimate objective of the present China crusade."

Vice-Admiral Hasegawa expressed warm appreciation of the "solid support and enthusiastic encouragement given to naval officers and men in China."—Reuter.

WOOL FROM FISH

The New German Process

Germany according to the Berlin correspondent of the Australian Associated Press has received with enthusiasm the announcement made a few days ago that a new spinning fibre has been evolved consisting of 80 per cent. cellulose and 20 per cent. fish albumen. The new fibre is claimed to be similar to natural wool in qualities and dyeing possibilities.

Already Being Manufactured

"Artificial wool fibres of undoubted merit" the correspondent says, "are already being manufactured from wood but there will be an increasing difficulty in obtaining sufficient supplies of wood, particularly as Russia and the Scandinavian countries are reducing their exports in view of their own increasing manufactures. On the other hand, fish are obtainable from the sea in unlimited quantities."

The albumen extracted, it is understood, can then be treated by a method resembling the Italian process for the manufacture of 'lanital' from milk.

Specimens of the new product are pronounced by experts to be untearable, warm and durable and able to take wool dyes exceedingly well."

AIM OF JAPANESE DIPLOMACY

Tokyo, To-day.

"The aim of our diplomacy is to make Japan the central figure in establishing permanently stable conditions in East Asia," the Premier, Prince Konoye, told the Lower House last night.

"It is my belief that Japanese diplomacy should be independent of political currents in Europe and America."—Reuter.

HONG KONG TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Seventy-eight people were killed in street accidents in Hong Kong last year, compared with 75 in 1936, while injured numbered 1,118 compared with 1,100.

There was a total of 2,591 accidents, compared with 2,483 the previous year.

In the Colony of Hong Kong including the Island, Kowloon and the New Territories during the week ending at 8 a.m. on Saturday, the 29th. January, there were altogether 54 traffic accidents, as the result of which one person was killed and 15 persons were injured.

The person killed, a Chinese male, aged about 40 years, died from injuries received through falling from a moving motor lorry.

Of the persons injured, 10 were pedestrians, who were either walking or running across the road and were struck by vehicles.

Three tramcar passengers were injured while alighting from moving tramcars.

One lorry passenger was injured through falling from a moving motor lorry.

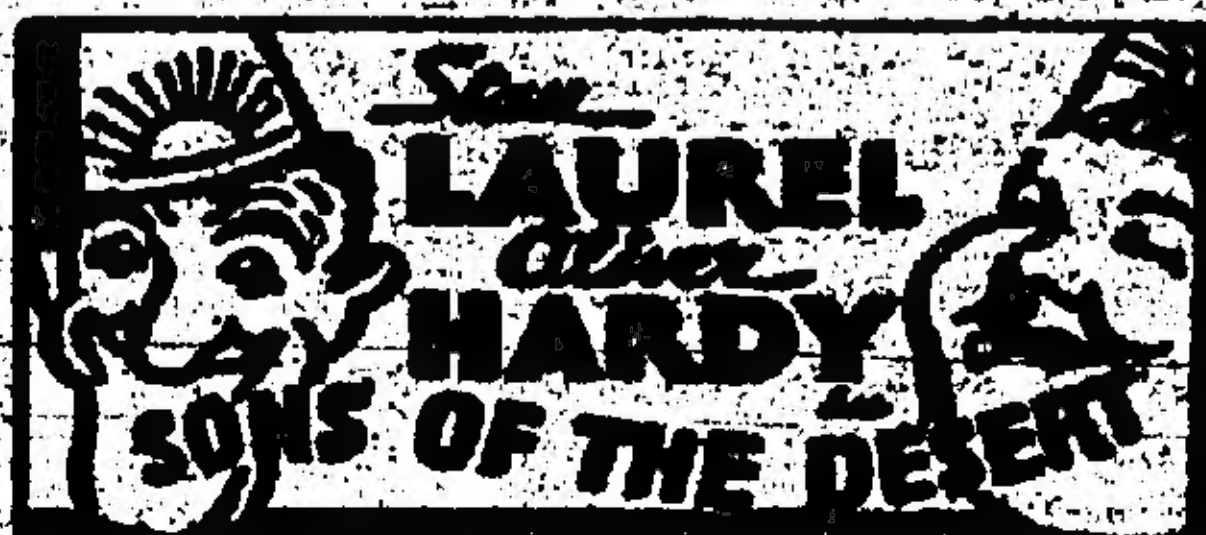
A motor cycle driver was injured when his machine overturned.

Of the 54 accidents, 23 were collisions between vehicles, 18 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians, and 13 accidents were due to other causes.

It is notified that Mr. Henry Vander Straeten, Consul-General for Belgium at Hong Kong, has resumed charge of the Belgian Consulate.

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WAR DANGER TO FRENCH OIL SUPPLIES: ONLY TWO MONTHS STORE

If, in the event of war, France's oil supply routes were completely cut, her present stocks would last only two months.

This admission was made in a statement by M. Gouin, rapporteur on the Mining estimates, during the Chamber discussion of the public works Ministry's budget.

France, said M. Gouin, received half her petrol supplies by way of the Mediterranean and half by the Atlantic. The Rumanian, Russian and Iraqi oils were exposed to danger during their long voyage through the Mediterranean before

reaching French waters, and the Atlantic route also would be difficult in war time owing to the speed of warships compared with that of Tankers.

In peace-time, he continued, France consumed 6,000 tons of aircraft fuel each month. French stocks amounted to 135,000 tons, and this figure would be increased to 200,000 by the end of 1938.

IN WAR-TIME

In war-time the country would need 50,000 tons each month, and the government was alive to the danger of the present position. It was impossible, however, to have ready for use before the end of next year a factory capable of refining aircraft fuel.

He strongly supported a programme drawn up by M. Ramadier, Under-Secretary for Mines, providing for the setting-up of factories for production of synthetic petrol which, mixed with the natural product, gave a fuel of the quality required for aircraft.

During a speech in the same debate, M. Ramadier stated that for a long time the government had been studying the question of manufacture of synthetic spirit.

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AVERAGE AGE BELOW FORTY

Moscow, January 15.

The Union Council, by a show of hands, this morning unanimously declared itself "properly elected."

After hearing the report of its "Mandates Commission" the Council adjourned until two p.m. tomorrow, when it will meet in joint session with the Council of Nationalities to elect the President, Vice-Presidents, the State Prosecutor and the Council of People's Commissars.

The rapporteur for the Mandates Commission, Scherbakoff, the party secretary for the Irkutsk region, referred to the extreme youthfulness of this Chamber. His analysis of its membership according to age groups confirmed my guess—in "The Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" yesterday—that the average age is under 40. Only 183 of the 569 members are over that age.

LIST OF PROFESSIONS

The rapporteur's analysis of the Union Council by profession and race deserves quotation in full. The professions are:

Party officials—113.

Government officials, including Yezhov's 45 officials—170.

"Workers of Our National Economy," that is officials of State trusts for industry, trade and agriculture—54.

Other "social" officials, that is officials of State trade and other unions—6.

In other words, out of the 569 members, 343 are officials and 68 officers and men of the Red Army, Navy and Air Force. There are only 59 workers and 51 peasants of both sexes. Finally there are 48 people listed as representing "the intelligentsia."

Racially the Union Council consists of

338 Great Russians.	11 Usbeks.
80 Ukrainians.	8 Tartars.
35 Jews.	8 Kazaks.
15 White-Russians.	4 Chuvashes.
12 Georgians.	3 Germans.

By "White Russians" is meant citizens of the Soviet Republic of White Russia.

The official age groups of the Council of Nationalities show that Chamber is even younger than the Union Council. Its average age is just over 25. By Air Mail.

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HITLER'S NEW SECRET COUNCIL MOST IMPORTANT STEP IN BERLIN STROKE

Berlin, To-day.

Last night's sudden master stroke by Herr Hitler
was designed to effect closer merging of Party
and State.

It completely changes the form of the German Gov-
ernment by formation of a Privy Council which
will not replace the Cabinet but will be the over-
riding nucleus thereof, ostensibly to advise the
Fuehrer on all matters of foreign policy but
actually to advise him on all important matters.

Simultaneously the Cabinet yesterday decided on
an important recall of Ambassadors, the mean-
ing of which hitherto has not been explained.

In addition to Herr von Rib-
bentrop from London, Herr von
Papen, from Vienna, von Hassel,
from Rome, and von Dirksen,
from Tokyo, have all been recall-
ed. The successors have not yet
been announced.

"NATURAL EVOLUTION"

The sweeping changes are offi-
cially interpreted as a natural
evolution in the Third Reich mark-
ing the end of the first five-year
stage.

Yesterday's changes have been a
long time in preparation.

It is disclosed that Baron von
Neurath recently asked permission
to retire. Herr Hitler wrote to
him yesterday, stating that his
knowledge was indispensable and,
while relieving him of the Foreign
Ministry, he wished to retain him
as counsellor as a head of the
State "who has helped me faith-
fully for five serious years." —
Reuter.

GERMAN MEDICAL AID

Shanghai, To-day.

According to Chinese reports
from Hankow, the German Red
Cross has decided to send to China
this month a shipment of medical
supplies enough for treatment of
100,000 wounded soldiers and war
refugees. — Reuter.

CANADA DISCUSSES COAST DEFENCE

Ottawa, To-day.

Pacific Coast defence occupied a
prominent position in the defence
estimates introduced into Parlia-
ment yesterday and totalling
\$34,000,000.

An accompanying memorandum
emphasises the importance of Paci-
fic defence.

The estimates provide for pur-
chase of two new destroyers from
Britain, as well as 55 new aircraft,
and augmentation of the voluntary
naval reserve by enlistment of
fishermen, sailors and yachtsmen
between the ages of 16 and 35. —
Reuter.

DEATH OF DR. VAUGHAN

Agra, To-day.

The death occurred yesterday at
the age of 72 of Dr. William
Wyamar Vaughan, former head-
master of Rugby and one of Bri-
tain's foremost educationists.

The late Dr. Vaughan was Presi-
dent of the Educational Section of
the British Association in 1925,
Member of the Advisory Committee
on Education in the Colonies and
of the Consultative Committee of
the Board of Education. — Reuter.



The "Condor," modern German giant passenger plane. A four-
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over 200 miles an hour.

DRAMATIC RESHUFFLE IN GERMAN GOVERNMENT

Hitler Takes Command Of The Armed Forces

VON RIBBENTROP APPOINTED TO FOREIGN OFFICE

Berlin, To-day.

Without warning except that provided by the leakage of information regarding the split between Herr Hitler and Field Marshal von Blomberg, dramatic and vital changes in the organisation of the German Government were announced yesterday.

Herr Hitler takes command of the armed forces. Herr von Ribbentrop becomes Foreign Minister. Baron von Neurath takes the chairmanship of a secret inner council, which will include Herr Hitler's chief advisers on all important matters of state, superseding the Cabinet in importance.

Berlin, To-day.

Herr Hitler yesterday announced that he himself will henceforth take entire supreme command of Germany's armed forces.

Field-Marshal Werner von Blomberg is no longer War Minister and Commander-in-Chief of the armed forces.

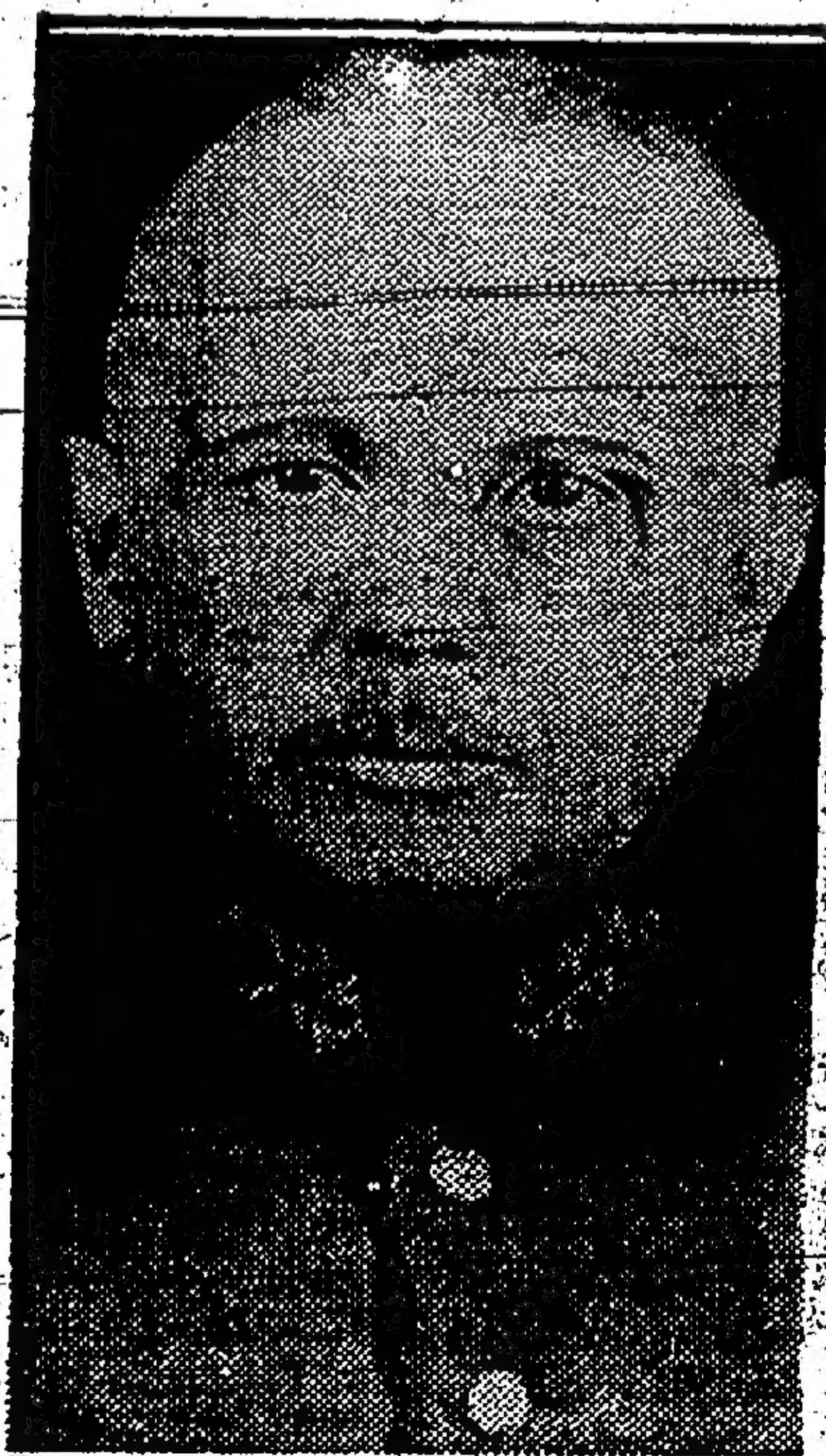
NEW OFFICE

A new office has been created which will also attend to affairs of the War Ministry. It is called "Supreme Command of the Armed Forces" in the Reichs War Ministry.

This office will be placed under the direct command of Herr Hitler as supreme commander of the armed forces, and is the Fuehrer's military staff.

FOREIGN MINISTRY

Simultaneously with the change in Germany's military command, comes the appointment of Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop as Foreign Minister.



Baron von Fritsch, commander of the Reichswehr, who has resigned, in sympathy it is believed with Field-Marshal von Blomberg.

GENERAL GOERING PROMOTED

Berlin, To-day.

General Hermann Goering has been made Field-Marshal. Seven high generals have been retired from Feb. 28.—Reuter.

Herr von Ribbentrop, who for some time has held the post of Ambassador in London, succeeds Baron von Neurath.

Baron von Neurath becomes head of a new secret Cabinet Council which will advise Herr Hitler on all foreign political questions.

It appears that the Cabinet will include Herr von Ribbentrop with the title of Foreign Minister, and General Keitel, the new Chief of the Supreme Command.

SECRET COUNCIL

The new Secret Council also includes General Hermann Goering (Air Minister), Herr Rudolf Hess (Herr Hitler's Deputy), Dr. Joseph Goebbels (Propaganda Minister) and Admiral Raeder (Commander-in-Chief of the Navy).

General von Fritsch has resigned the post of Commander-in-Chief of the German Army on the ground of ill-health, and is succeeded by Artillery General von Brauschitsch, who also becomes a member of the new Council.

The Reichstag has been summoned for Feb. 20.—Reuter.

GEN. SUGIYAMA'S LATEST

Tokyo, To-day.

The War Minister, Gen. Sugiyama, declared in the Diet yesterday that in contrast to the situation prevailing in Manchuria six years ago, Japan now intends to "make the Chinese rule themselves in North China."

He added that the Japanese will help the Chinese to achieve self-government and "co-existence and co-prosperity with Japan."—Reuter.



Herr von Ribbentrop, German Ambassador in London, who becomes new Foreign Minister in the Hitler Government.

SUPPRESSION OF BIRTH CONTROL

Tokyo, To-day.

Mistaken birth control must be strictly suppressed, because an increase of the population forms the foundation of national development, Marquis Koichi Kido, concurrently Minister of Education and Public Welfare, said in the Diet yesterday.

Earlier in the session it was revealed that the Ministry of Public Welfare had decided to seek legislation empowering sterilisation of persons suffering from hereditary diseases.—Reuter.

IMPORTANT ANGLO-GERMAN NEGOTIATIONS

Berlin, To-day.

According to German circles the visit of the British Ambassador in Berlin, Sir Neville Henderson, to London, is connected with important Anglo-German discussions.

The discussions are intended to carry a step further the negotiations opened during Lord Halifax's visit to Germany, and comprising subjects such as an air pact, the colonial question and a general European settlement.

British quarters in Berlin are silent, being of the opinion that any statement made should be forthcoming from London and not Berlin.—Reuter.

A British Wireless message yesterday conveyed the impression that Sir Neville Henderson was in England for other than official reasons but was taking the opportunity to discuss the general situation with Mr. Eden.

Miss Ruth Emily Audsley has been appointed to be an Assistant Mistress (Kindergarten), Education Department, with effect from 3rd February, 1938.

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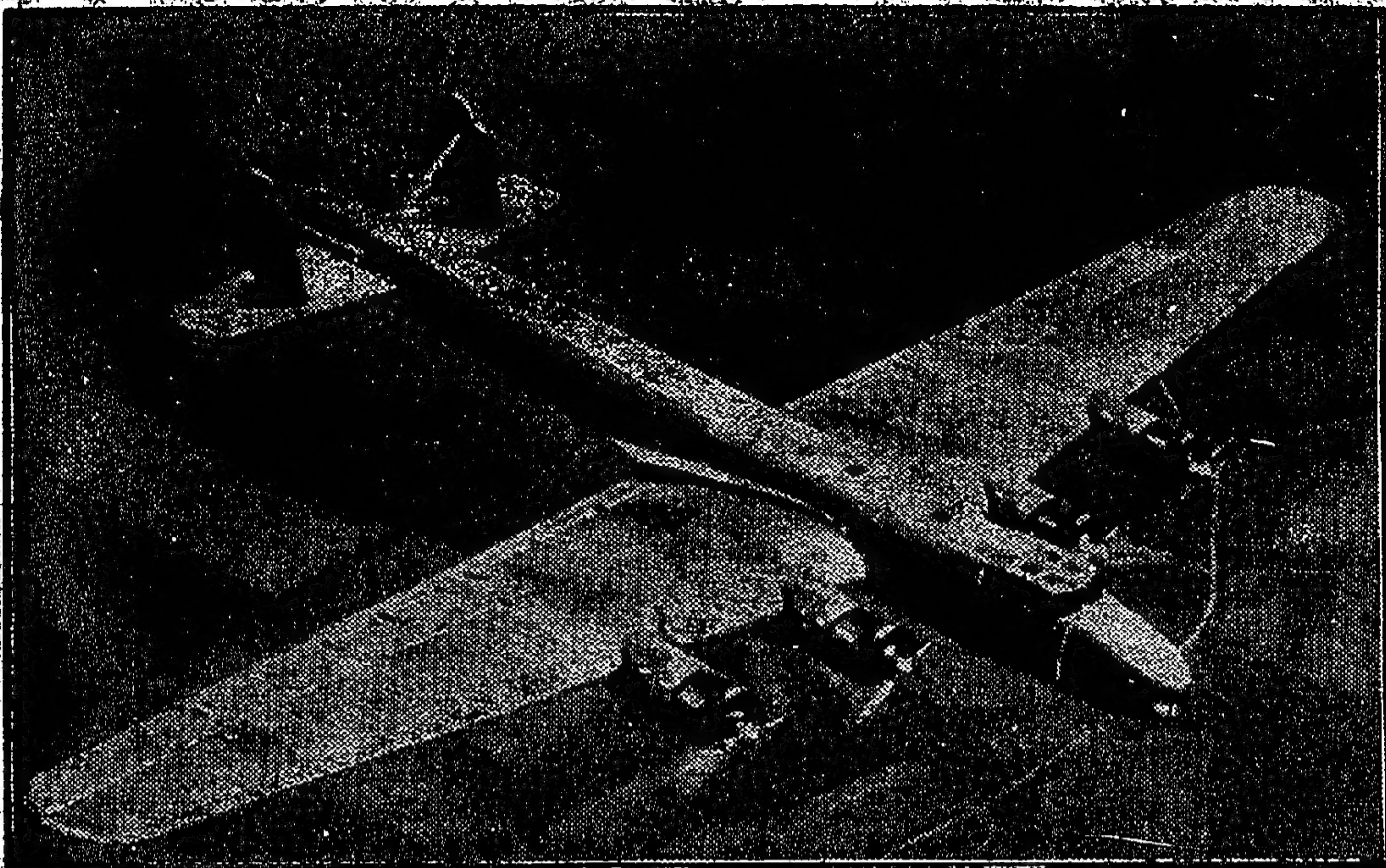
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AMERICA CLAIMS FASTEST FIGHTER

Secret tests are being conducted by pilots of the United States army on a new type of twin-engined aeroplane.

Five experimental machines have been purchased from a Buffalo (New York State) aircraft company, which had spent two years on developing their design. Every aeroplane has two engines, each of more than 800 horse power.

Although declining to go into details concerning these new machines, army officials have stated that "they are generally credited with being the fastest two-engined military aircraft built to date."



The latest product of the Dornier aviation works at Friedrichshafen. The huge plane, which was on display at the recent International Aviation Exhibition at The Hague, will be used for long-distance flights.

PORTSMOUTH AND EMPIRE FLYINGBOATS

The question of providing a tidal scheme in Langstone Harbour for Empire flying-boats has been raised by the Air Ministry, following the decision of Portsmouth City Council not to promote a Parliamentary bill which would have given it power to carry out a barrage scheme.

At a meeting of the council a letter was read from the Air Ministry stating that, should the Corporation so desire, the Minister would direct that negotiations be reopened on the question of a tidal scheme with a view to arriving at mutually satisfactory terms for the establishment of an air base at Langstone Harbour.

The council adopted a recommendation of a committee agreeing to

SLOW PLANES ARE AN ASSET - BERT ACOSTA

Bert Acosta, one of the most experienced pilots in the world, found that his slow plane was an asset when fighting super-fast fighters in the Spanish civil war.

Acosta has returned to Canada from Spain, where he fought for the Government as a pilot. "I shot down five planes, all piloted by Italians, just like ducks," he said. "I got them because their machines were fast and mine was slow."

"They came at me so fast that they didn't have a real chance to aim at me. All I had to do was to stay in one spot and let them pass my gun sights."

consider any further schemes and financial proposals the Ministry might put before the Corporation.

Midnight Radio Decrees New Era In Russia

(By AIR MAIL)

Moscow, January 19.

Soviet Russia's all-powerful Communist Party broadcast at midnight a decree long awaited by tens of thousands of Communists unjustly crucified in the great purge.

Unbounded joy and a sense of reason freedom have swept the homes of numberless, innocent, expelled party members and also the homes of their friends and relatives who had been forced for safety sake to boycott those near and dear to them.

FOUR KEY POINTS

The most important points of the decision were as follows:

- (1) Expulsions from the party are henceforth prohibited until any given case has been considered individually.
- (2) Expelled members must be given new jobs at once.
- (3) By February 15 next every trusted party member, whether expelled justly or unjustly, must be given a job.
- (4) All pending appeals for reinstatement must be examined within three months.

This decision makes it clear that there are tens of thousands of pending appeals which have hitherto been ignored by party organisations.

It was officially revealed that numbers of people—sacked from their jobs, deserted by their friends, and at the end of their resources—have gone to the O.G.P.U. and demanded "Arrest us or give us jobs."

Under the new ruling it is also laid down that persons falsely accused must be cleared by statements in the Press.

All those discovered to have falsely denounced innocent people are to be prosecuted, the decree pointing out that:

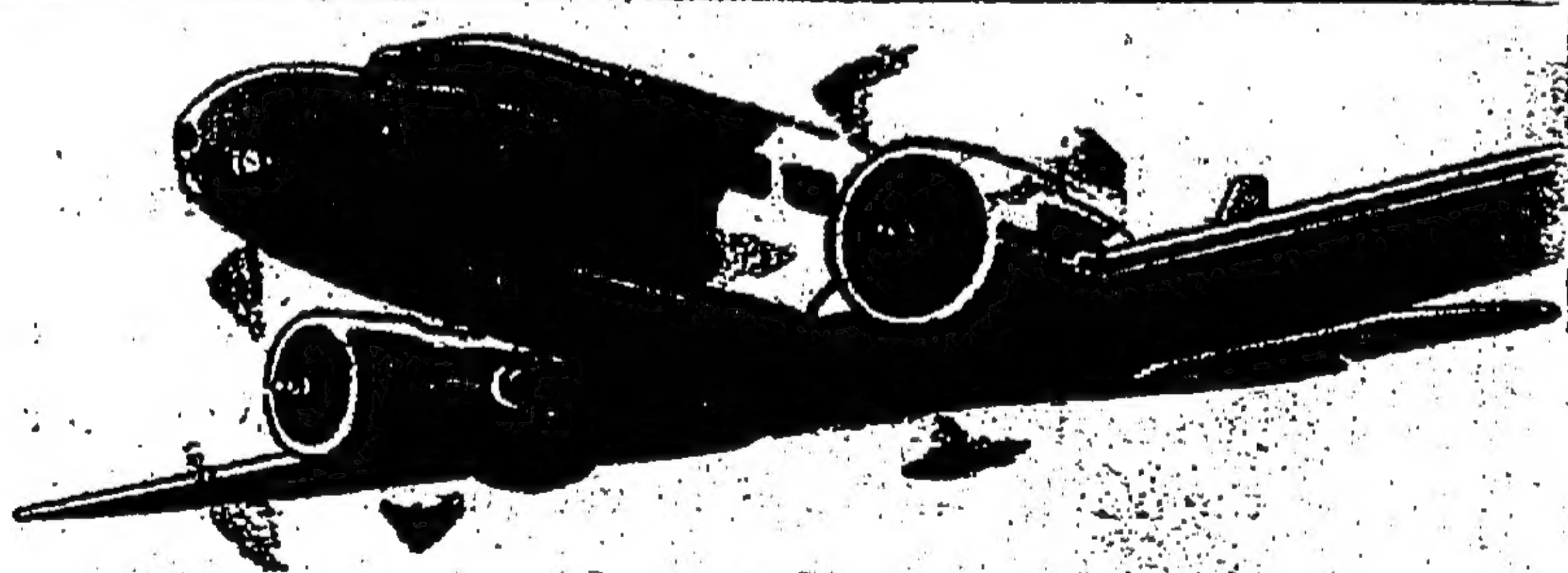
"There has been a criminally frivolous attitude prevalent as to the fate of party members."

While the decree calls for continued vigilance against actual enemies of the State, it insists that severe measures be taken against those careerists who denounce people to gain a reputation for super-vigilance.

One case to illustrate this point is given. A provocateur in Kiev asked every citizen he met:

"How many letters exposing enemies have you written?"

The result of this inquisition was that many letters were sent to headquarters accusing 50 per cent. of the Communist Party members of the city.



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Nothing recedes like success. (Walter Winchell.)

It seems to me that when a woman is wearing shorts her charms are enlarged without being enhanced. (Beverly Nichols.)

A fool and his money are some party.

To a st master's Introduction: Gentlemen, you have been giving your attention to a turkey stuffed with sage. Pray silence for a sage stuffed with turkey."

She stood three deep in men. (Margaret Mitchell.)

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Writing on the Spanish civil war, on.

the London "Daily Telegraph" says:

A carefully recorded total of successes announced in Madrid and Valencia communique up to April 19, 1937, was:

Territory won: Three times the total area of Spain;

Nationalists killed and wounded: 500,000.

Prisoners taken: 345,000.

Guns captured: 415,000; machine-guns: 775,000.

Italian and German planes shot down: 56,779.

By April, too, Huesca had been captured 26 times, Toledo 11 times, Oviedo 22.

It is a wonder the war still goes

LONDON CONSULTATIONS OF U.S. AND BRITISH NAVAL MEN

Admiral Leahy Declines To Disclose The Details

Vital Information Concerning Defence Of Country

Washington, To-day.

The fact that the Chief of the United States War Plans Division conversed with the British naval authorities during his recent visit to London, was implied, though not admitted, by Admiral Leahy, Chief of Naval Operations, testifying before the naval committee discussing naval expansion yesterday.

Questioned whether the Chief of the War Plans Division reported on his London visit, Admiral Leahy declined to answer, because it involved vital information concerning defence of the country, but he promised at a later stage to "tell all about it."

Admiral Leahy told the committee that the United States Navy was incapable of defending both coastlines at the same time, and asserted that a much larger increase than was proposed in the expansion programme could be necessary in order to provide adequate defence of both seaboard.

GERMAN FLIRTATION

Representative McGraph uttered a warning that Germany's "flirtation" with Brazil might necessitate a United States fleet in the Atlantic in the near future.

Mr. Vinson, chairman of the committee, suggested that some time in the future, the United States might be compelled to build a sea level canal somewhere in Central America, since the "Navy's eggs at present are in one basket," namely, the Panama Canal.

ALASKA BASE

Admiral Leahy expressed the opinion that naval base facilities should be established in Alaska, but he was unable to give details of recommendations thereon at present.—Reuter.

DUCE ANGERED BY SWISS ATTACK

Italians Not "Soft"

Signor Mussolini himself is believed once again to be the author of an angry article in his newspaper "Popolo d'Italia". In this an unnamed Swiss newspaper, which has ventured to say that Italians are not good soldiers, is attacked.

The writer says: "It is an unwarlike people, is it, which has to its credit 40 months of the World War, with battles such as those on the Piave, in which its dead and wounded amounted to one-eighth of the entire population of warlike—but neutral—Switzerland?"

"Which has to its credit the Abyssinian war, against a numerous, ferocious and well-armed enemy, and a share in the Spanish war in which the valour of the legionaries shone forth in the victories of Malaga and Santander?"

"It is a soft people, is it, whose intrepid armies have crossed over continents and oceans as though they were the Lake of Geneva?"

"It is a good thing that Italians

M.P.'S FIGHT REVOLVER DUEL

The first duel between politicians in Chile for 20 years has been fought between Don Octavio Senoret and Don Juan Antonio Rios.

It was fought with revolvers and Senor Senoret received a serious leg wound. His opponent was unhurt.

The cause of the dispute was the Popular Front issue which has split the powerful Radical Party in Chile. Senor Senoret is anti-Front and Senor Antonio Rios pro-Front. Both are leading politicians.

The time and place of the duel was kept secret as duelling is contrary to the law and police and parliamentarians tried to prevent it taking place. Two senators and one deputy acted as seconds and a member of the Liberal Party was umpire.

"I'm Wounded"

It was fought in a corner of a pine wood, the opponents standing 30 paces from each other. After revolvers had been selected as weapons both men fired simultaneously. Senoret fell forward crying "My leg!" "I'm wounded."

He was taken to hospital and was later stated to be recovering. Many parliamentarians visited him in hospital and President Alessandri, who is a close friend, sent his aide-de-camp to inquire about his condition.

As soon as news of the duel spread through the city, Senate and Chamber, which had been in session, were deserted.

Next day protests were made in Congress against the "return to uncivilised methods" which, it was said, had been sanctioned by the participation of members of both branches of the Legislature.

do not read the Swiss newspapers, nearly all of which daily insult Italy and Fascism, for the friendship of the two countries would be profoundly impaired."

WALL STREET IMPROVES

New York, To-day.
Wall Street opened unsettled yesterday but later support for the market appeared, and a number of stocks rallied sharply. The list ended at the day's best levels, recording mostly gains of anything to \$3 in a turnover of 810,000 shares.—Reuter.

CATHOLIC PRESS EXHIBITION

In connection with the Catholic celebration of "Good Press Day" in Hong Kong to-morrow, an exhibition of Catholic publications will be held at St. Patrick's Club, Garden Road, from 8.30 a.m. to 7 p.m. The publications displayed will be mainly periodicals, English and Chinese, which are most likely to be of interest to Hong Kong readers, and facilities are provided for those who wish to subscribe to them.

A special religious service is being held in St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road at 4 p.m. Rev. Fr. G. Byrne S. J. will preach on "Mind Starvation."

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LESSON SERMON

Subject: Spirit

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all churches of Christ, Scientist, to-morrow Feb. 6th will be "Spirit." The Golden Text will be, "Grieve not the holy spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption." Eph. 4: 30.

Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible "O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the Truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath evidently been set forth, crucified among you? This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law or by the hearing of faith? Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh? This, I say then, walk in the Spirit and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit and the Spirit against the flesh and these are contrary the one to the other; so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit." (Gal. 3 and 5).

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy. "Throughout the infinite cycles of eternal existence, Spirit and matter neither concur in man, nor in the universe. The varied doctrines and theories which presuppose life and intelligence to exist in matter are so many ancient and modern mythologies. Strangely enough we ask for material theories in support of spiritual and eternal truths, when the two are so antagonistic that the material thought must become spiritualised before the spiritual fact is attained. So-called material existence affords no evidence of spiritual existence and immortality. The flesh and spirit can no more unite in action, than good can coincide with evil. Mistaking his origin and nature, man believes himself to be combined matter and Spirit. He believes that Spirit is sifted through matter, carried on a nerve, exposed to election by the operation of matter. The intellectual, the moral, the spiritual,—yes, the Image of Infinite Mind—subject to non-intelligence! No more sympathy exists between the flesh and Spirit than between Balaam and Christ." (Pages 319, 355, 167 and 171).

PUPPET MAYOR OF CHEFOO INSTALLED

Chefoo, To-day.

Conditions are slowly returning to normal. The telephone service is functioning but no Chinese newspapers are being published yet.

Chang Hua-nan, sent here by the "provisional government" at Peiping, was installed as mayor and concurrently chairman of the East Shantung Reconstruction Committee at a simple ceremony at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce yesterday afternoon.

Among those present were representatives of the Japanese army and navy, officials of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, leading Chinese businessmen and representatives of the Foreign Chamber of Commerce.

Speeches were made by several persons, including representatives of the Japanese Services, and the ceremony concluded with five bows to the five-barred flag and one bow to the Mayor.

The old Chinese fort on the East Beach was blown up by the Japanese yesterday.—Reuter.

THIS WEEK ON THE LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Messrs. G. A. Harriman and Co.'s weekly shares report and market review issued at noon to-day states:

After the Chinese New Year holidays the local market opened very firm with gains shown throughout nearly the entire list, but towards the close, some rates gave way slightly owing to profit-taking and unsettled conditions generally.

The market in Manila again showed considerable strength during the first four days of the week, closing however a shade easier probably due also to profit-taking.


The investment section registered a further rise with Hong Kong Electric and Star Ferries being dealt in at \$55½ and \$87 respectively. Hong Kong Trams were negotiated at \$14.70/14.80. Hong Kong Lands were also better with business done at \$33. Wharves had sales at \$118. Dairies had buyers at \$25.15 with sellers asking for \$25.30. Hong Kong Docks could be placed at \$28¾.

Among the minor issues Hong Kong Hotels improved to \$5.80 buyers. Providents (old) changed hands in quantity at \$2.40/2.60 and the new shares were done at 45/50c. China Lights (old) remained steady at \$10.80 after sales at \$10.90/11.00. Realities could fetch buyers at \$4.70.


Sterling counters ruled steady with Hong Kong Banks changing hands at \$1485 and Unions at \$500/502.

The market after showing signs of a revival at one period closes slightly easier.

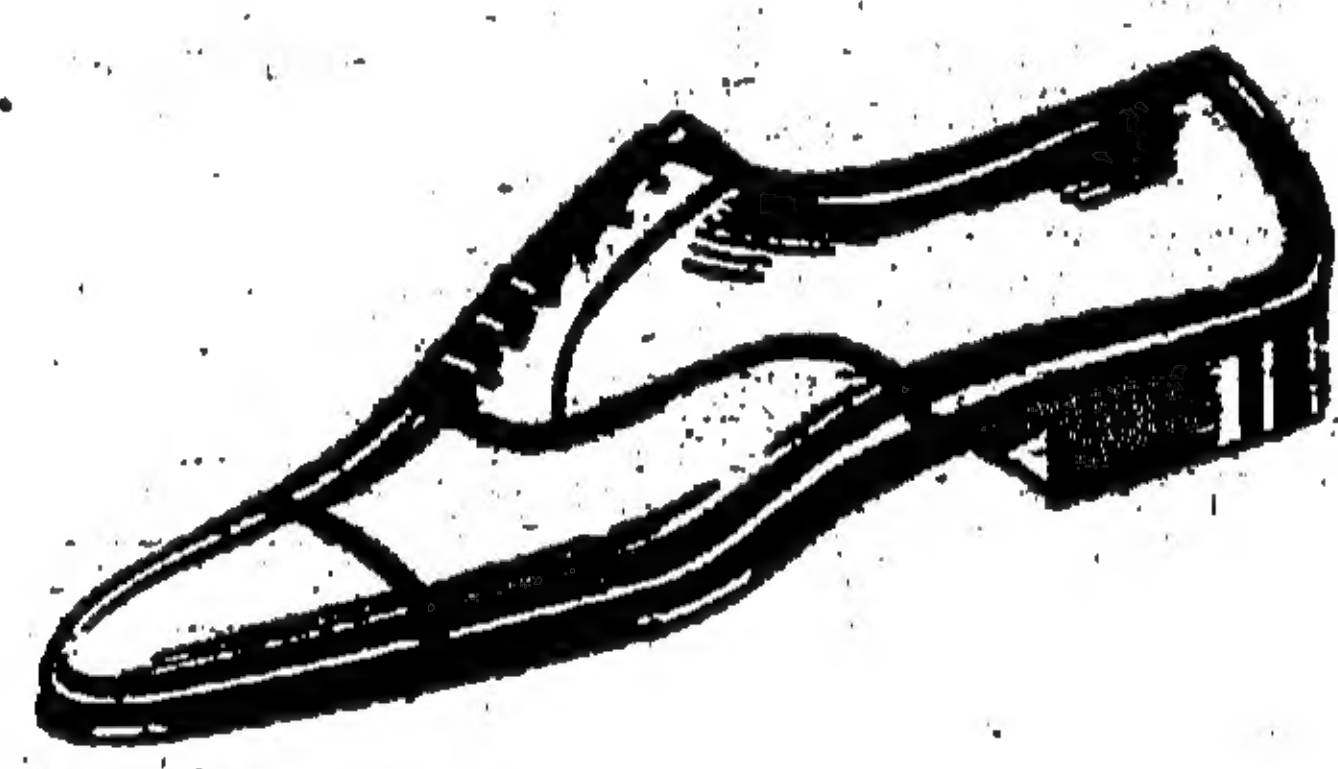
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RUSSIA'S STRENGTH

In January of last year an article appeared in "Pravda," the official paper of the Communist party, stating that the Soviet Union, while continuing to support a policy of collective security, would in future look first to its own strength for the defence of the country. This attitude represented not a change in policy so much as an increase of confidence in Russia's own resources. There is no doubt that originally Russia was brought back into the League through fear of Germany and because she hoped that collective security might be a real guarantee of security; and for the same reason she signed the Franco-Soviet Pact. But at the same time she began to concentrate on armaments and frontier fortification, the rapid progress of which has been clearly marked in the changing attitude of her spokesmen.

There is good reason to assume that the reported offer of the Soviet to intervene in the Far East in return for assurances regarding the safety of her Western boundaries had stronger foundation than the imagination of a London journalist, although, if we are to believe her diplomats, even a request for a guarantee could only be to make doubly sure. M. Maisky, for instance, was recently quoted as saying: "I can say with full responsibility for every word that at the present time we are strong enough to repel any attack on our territories on the part of any foreign Power, or any combination of Powers, and we can do this single-handed."

The Russian spirit goes to upset all the calculations of those who looked upon the "purge" of leading generals as blotting her out of the politico-military picture for a considerable period of time, and it may have been noted that Japan, inclined hitherto to regard the Soviet's attitude on Far Eastern issues to be relatively unimportant, has latterly taken a fresh look at the situation.

The Soviet's attitude in the recent meeting of the Committee of Twenty-Eight also revealed fairly clearly that Collective Sec-

urity is no longer of vital interest to Moscow, although she will continue to support it for the perfectly sound reason that, although she believes that she can defend her own territories single-handed in the event of war, she cannot prevent war single-handed, and there could be no major conflagration which did not imply the gravest risk of endangering our frontiers." M. Litvinoff's speech, though it might be used to support the argument of the British Government that no amount of collective security under present day conditions can be an alternative to rearmament, is equally a telling reminder that no amount of rearmament can be an alternative to collective security.

Critic of Europe

From the clatter of conferences and the explosion of detentes and demarches, the eyes of Europe turn to Mont St. Michel, which has just taken up that policy of isolation which President Roosevelt recently suggested that the United States might possibly lay down.

Mont St. Michel, that small island off the coast of France which so many thousands of American and English tourists visit every year, is connected with the mainland by a causeway, part of which is above sea level even at high tide. It has now been decided to cut this causeway at a point about six hundred yards from the coast. The statesmen of Europe, who allow nothing to escape their notice, are naturally asking the reason of this desperate and irrevocable step. Mont St. Michel, its spokesmen say, wishes to be an island even at low tide, and so is severing its connection with the mainland.

It may well be supposed that every chancellery in Europe is echoing with the question, Why? Why does Mont St. Michel want to have nothing more to do with the Continent? Why is it emphasising its separation from Europe? Is it possible that Mont St. Michel is displeased with Europe? This is a question that has definitely to be faced. Perhaps it may result in Europe's behaving so nicely that Mont St. Michel will hurriedly build another causeway.

Air-Conditioned M.P.'s

Mr. Alfred Bossom has expressed the feeling of many Members of Parliament in his recent complaints about the quality of the air in Britain's House of Commons. No keen student of politics should be surprised that Parliament is at last dissatisfied with its own atmospheric conditions.

Cool air is now pumped up through the perforated floor of the centre gangway in the House of Commons. This produces a current situation that is, in more ways than one, highly undesirable. For it means that the legs of members are surrounded by a fresh breeze, while their bodies are in the comparatively warm and stagnant upper air. Thus, Members of the House of Commons are compelled to work in an atmosphere which makes it almost certain that they will unite a maximum number of hot heads and cold feet.

The British nation should feel grateful to Mr. Bossom for his bold attack upon these unfortunate conditions.

BRITISH AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS

School-Children To Be Armed With Respirators

'AULD LANG SYNE' AT BADMINTON CLUB

Closed After 61 Years

The Badminton Club, Piccadilly, closed at midnight one night recently, despite last-minute efforts to save it. A farewell dinner, attended by more than 100 members, was held at the club, which was founded 61 years ago. As midnight struck "Auld Lang Syne" was sung.

An official of the club said: "The club is closed for the time being owing to financial troubles. Whether it will ever be resumed or not I do not know."

"A staff of 53 has been dismissed. The majority will go to other positions, some in clubs."

It is understood that several thousand pounds would have been required to keep the club going.

According to "Clubs, 1937," the Badminton had a membership of 1,000. The entrance fee had been suspended. The subscription varied between two and 12 guineas.

DANGER OF GAS ATTACK

Camps to which children should be evacuated in case of an air gas attack are suggested in a circular on Air Raid Precautions in Schools issued by the British Board of Education to all the school authorities.

It is also proposed that all the children should carry respirators with them to and from school.

The circular says that the problem of the protection of school-children during an air attack has been considered by the Home Office Air Raid Precautions Department and the Board.

It is pointed out that the north and west of the country are less vulnerable than the east and south, though no part is beyond the range of an air attack.

First consideration would have to be given to those places where the risk is so great that it would not be justifiable to collect children in large numbers in a school, and it would accordingly be decided to close the schools during the whole period in which raids might be expected.

The short period of warning—seven to ten minutes being all that is anticipated—would not

enable the children to be sent home, and the primary importance of their safety would demand that they should be kept at home to share the protective arrangements designed for the public.

REFUGE IN THE COUNTRY

It adds:—

"In those areas, especially exposed to danger, the ideal solution would be to evacuate the children—not all of whom will be of school age—to safer districts, preferably in the country where they could be dispersed in private houses or public buildings or possibly small camps."

In places where it was decided to keep the schools open—apart from those used as first aid posts or decontamination centres—steps would have to be taken to guard against the unlikely event of a raid.

PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECTS

"All school-children will be provided in an emergency, by the Government with respirators which they will carry with them to and from school. They will have opportunities to become familiar with them under arrangements made for the other members of the family, and it is not desirable that any preparatory instruction to school-children in peace time should be undertaken which might have adverse psychological or other effects on them or the public."

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Dr. Parrin Ruttonjee, M.B.B.S. will commence a series of lectures in Home Nursing on Thursday, February 10 at 5.30 p.m. at St. John Ambulance Headquarters, Tai Hang Road.

It is essential that those wishing to take the course be present at the first lecture.

VETERANS RETURN TO FRONT

With special badges pinned on their uniforms, large numbers of Chinese front line veterans, having completely recovered from their wounds, are leaving base hospitals in and around Hankow every day to return to active service.

Most of these fire-baptized soldiers have located the whereabouts of their original units and they are on their way to rejoin them, while others, cut off from their old regiments, are being organised into new battalions.

In either case, these fighters who have survived aerial bombs, shells and infantry onslaughts during the past few months' hostilities, are decorated with pink badges to distinguish them from the ordinary run of old-timers or fresh recruits.

Known as "honour soldiers," they are marching back to the front lines to bolster the morale of their comrades, especially that of newcomers who can learn much from these veterans.

During the past two or three weeks, at least two such "honour battalions" of 500 men each have been formed out of soldiers discharged from local and neighbouring convalescent homes. Every one injured on the battlefield has been given a step up in rank.

Like servicemen in other countries, Chinese soldiers have a great deal of sentimental attachment to their original units, each of which has its own history probably dating to the early years of the Chinese Republic or to the days of the successful Northern Expedition by the Nationalist Troops in 1926-27.

As a result, whenever possible, they always insist on returning to their own regiments no matter how far away these units may happen to be. If necessary, they walk there.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" is due at Hong Kong from Vancouver on March 10.

Paul Muni's Fine Acting At The Queen's

Once again Warner Brothers and Paul Muni have enriched the screen with a literate and distinguished drama. Their "Life of Emile Zola," which was given an elaborate gala performance last night at the Queen's Theatre, is a fitting successor to last year's "The Story of Louis Pasteur," and easily takes its place as one of the most impressive productions of the year.

It is superbly acted by Mr. Muni, whose characterisation of Zola is the finest of his career, a sensitive and penetrating study of the famous French novelist whose cause was justice and whose passion truth.

Skillfully utilising a wealth of material, the scenarists tell their story against a vivid background of French politics during the latter part of the Nineteenth Century. The picture traces Zola's career from his days as a starving idealist in a Paris garret, to the days of his courageous fight in Dreyfus's behalf.

ALL SO FASCINATING

Incidents of his early life—his friendship with the painter, Cezanne; his compassion for the down-trodden; his determination to write what he saw without compromise, make a fascinating pattern. Here is shown the manner in which he came to write his various novels, the principal sequence being devoted to his writing of the book "Nana," which led to fame and wealth.

And here is shown also how he was roused from the complacency that came with success by the affair which was to stir up not only France but the entire world as well. The trial of Alfred Dreyfus, captain of the 14th Artillery, who was

accused of treason on astonishingly flimsy circumstantial evidence, court-martialed and deported for life to Devil's Island.

Zola's championship of the unfortunate Dreyfus is related in a succession of stirring episodes: his willingness to sacrifice his career and reputation by an alliance with what was considered a lost cause; his writing of the famous "J'Accuse," the open letter to the President of the Republic; his own trial for libel with its judicial travesty, its devastating and far-reaching political explosions and, finally, its aftermath that established Dreyfus's innocence.

ACCURACY TO FORE

The re-enactment of the Dreyfus affair, with its prejudices and antagonisms, its nightmare intrigue and confusion, has been expertly contrived in the matter of both adaptation and direction. It brings in not only Zola and Dreyfus, but also such names as Major Esterhazy, Major Henry, Colonel Piquart, Anatole France, Georges Clemenceau, Colonel Sandherr and others, all represented with reportorial accuracy.

It is Mr. Muni, however, who dominates the entire production, whole Zola remains the central figure against backgrounds that might conceivably have overshadowed another actor, whose make-up and mannerisms all blend into a remarkable portrait.

Excellent, too, is his supporting cast, a large and able company that includes Joseph Schildkraut, as Dreyfus, and Gale Sondergaard, Robert Barrat, Henry O'Neill, John Littel, Vladimir Sokoloff, Charles Richman, Louis Calhern, Robert Warwick and Gloria Holden.

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The British Isles is now in the grip of real winter weather, and this picture from Northumberland gives an idea of the rough seas being experienced on the coast there. (Copyright).



Swiss troops practising with a new type of light machine gun which is carried in addition to a rifle. The unusual shape of the Swiss Army steel helmet is copied from a 15th century helmet found in a Swiss museum. (Copyright).

At left.

The most isolated railwayman on Christmas Day was sixty three year old Jack Cross, lighthouse keeper at Fleetwood, Lancs., who spent his tenth successive Christmas on a lighthouse belonging to the L.M.S., two miles out at sea. This picture shows Jack Cross taking his Christmas supplies out to the lighthouse. Besides his mate his only companions are the waves, sea-birds, and a second hand battery radio. (Copyright).

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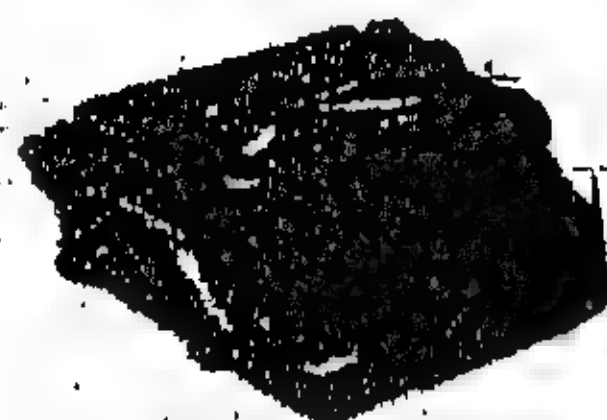
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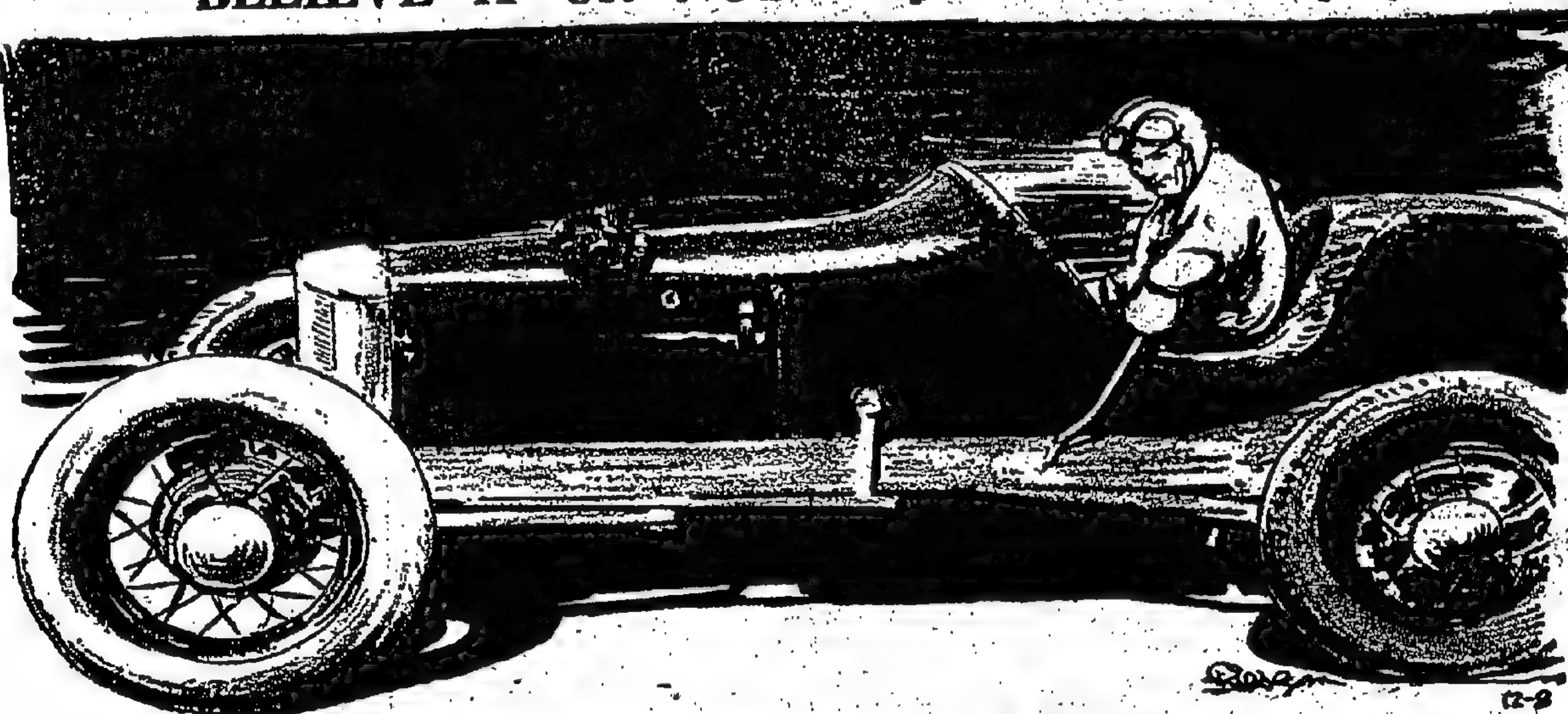
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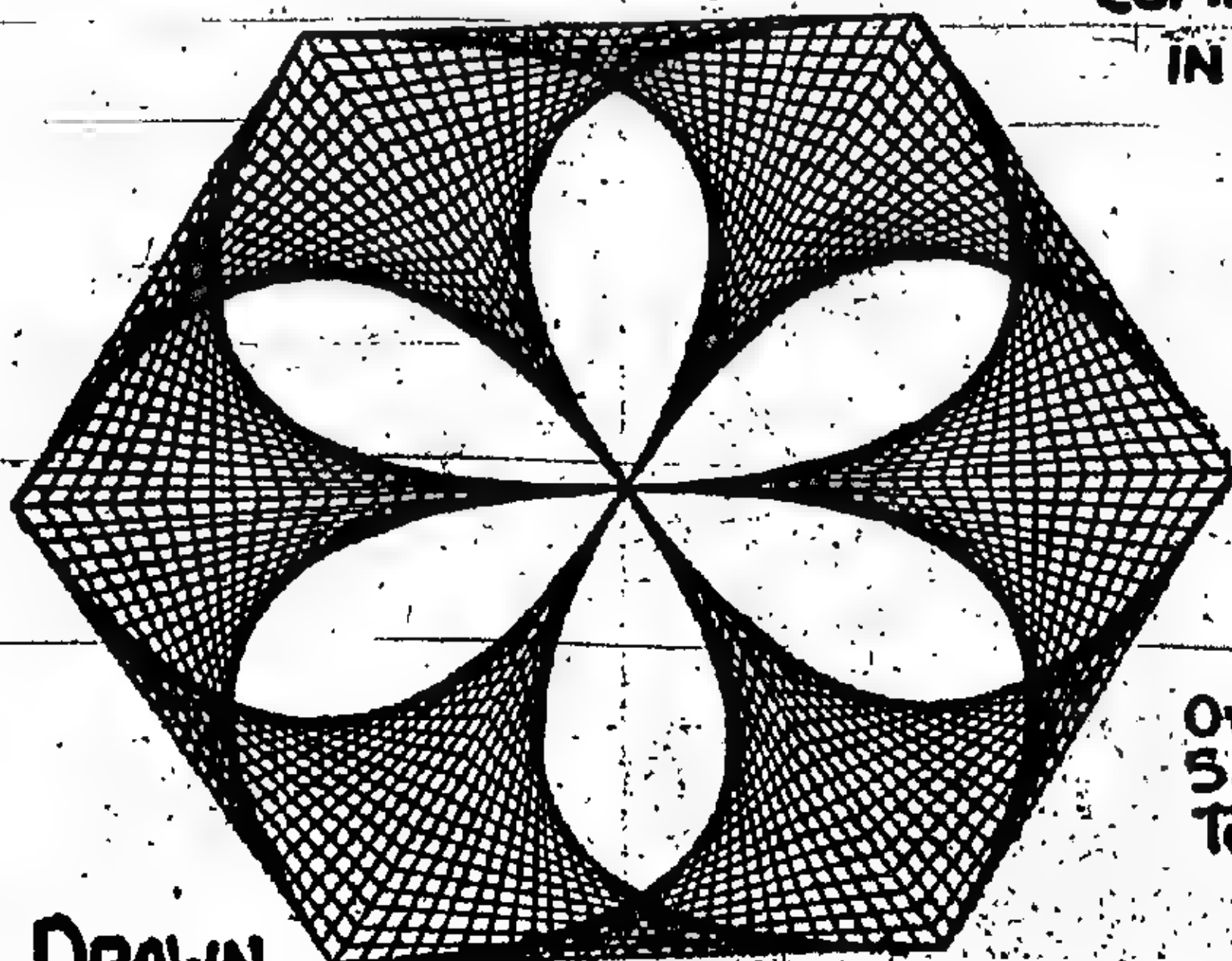
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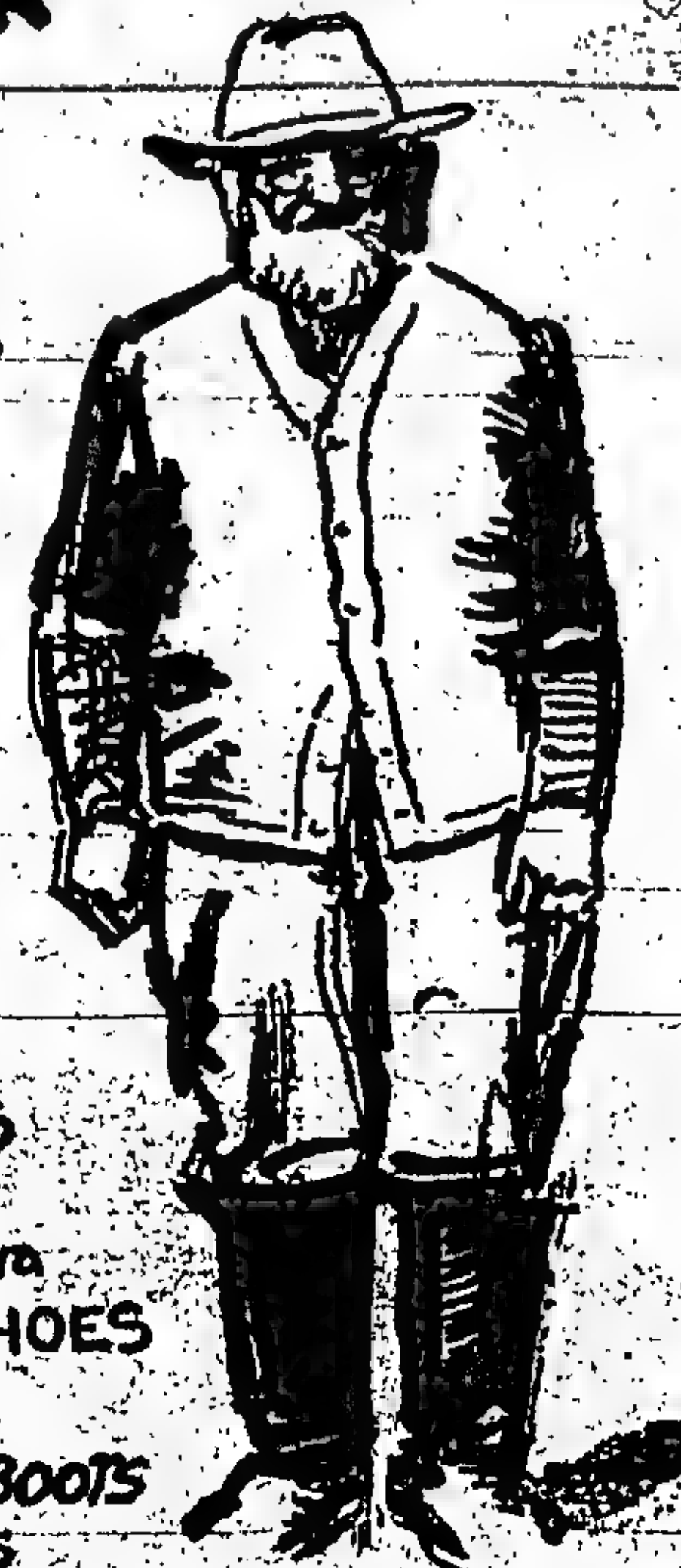


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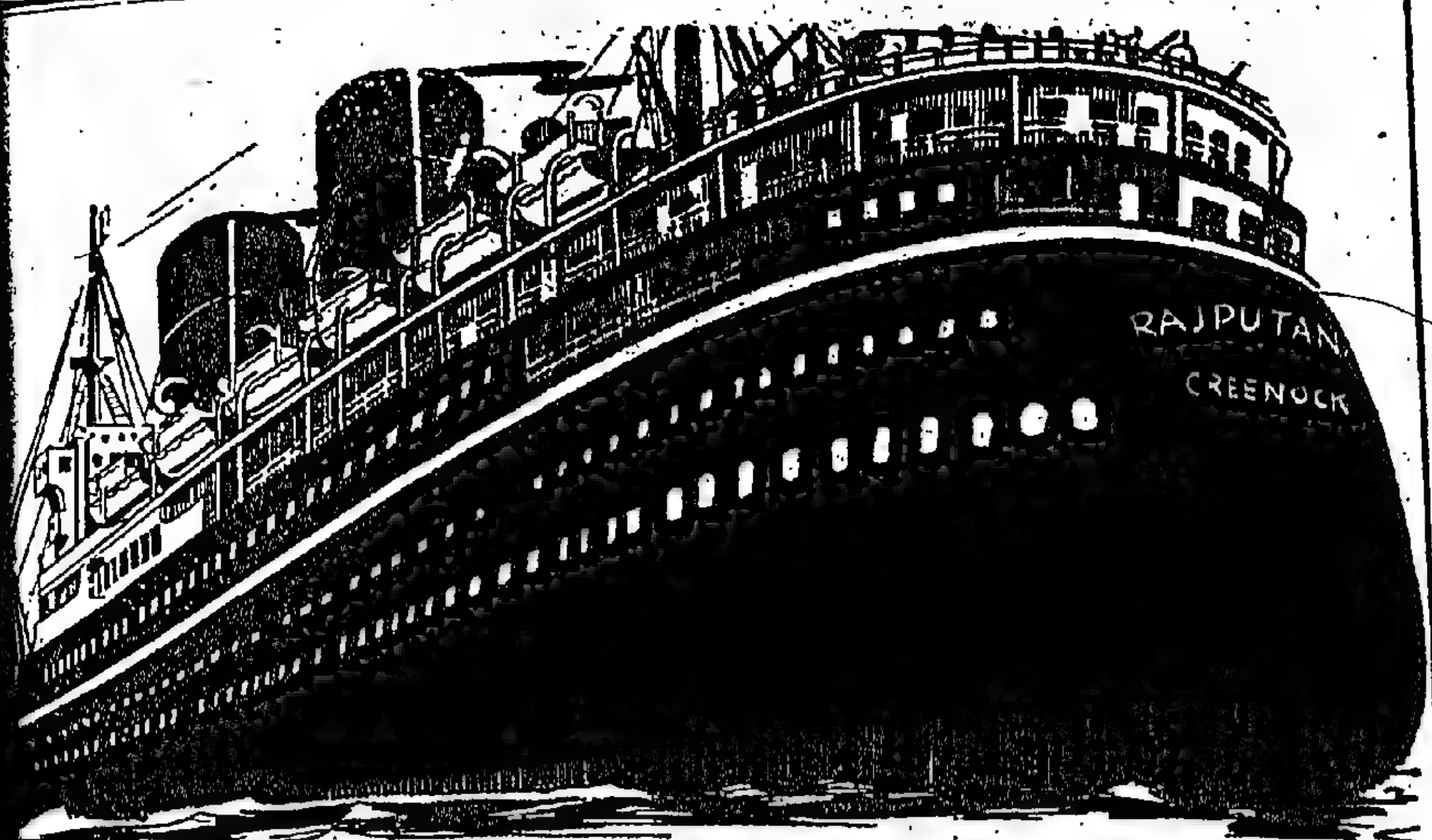
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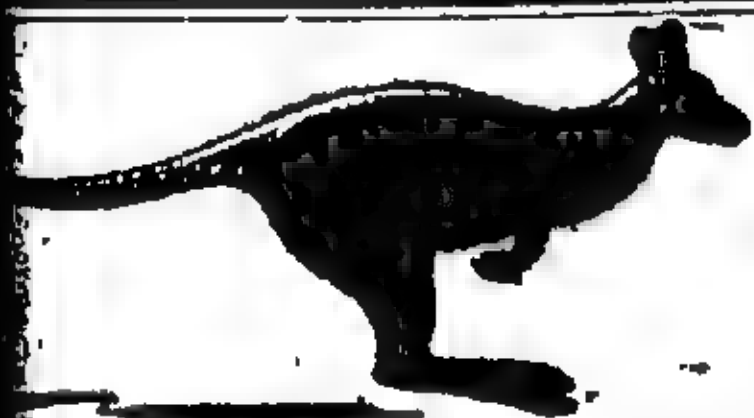
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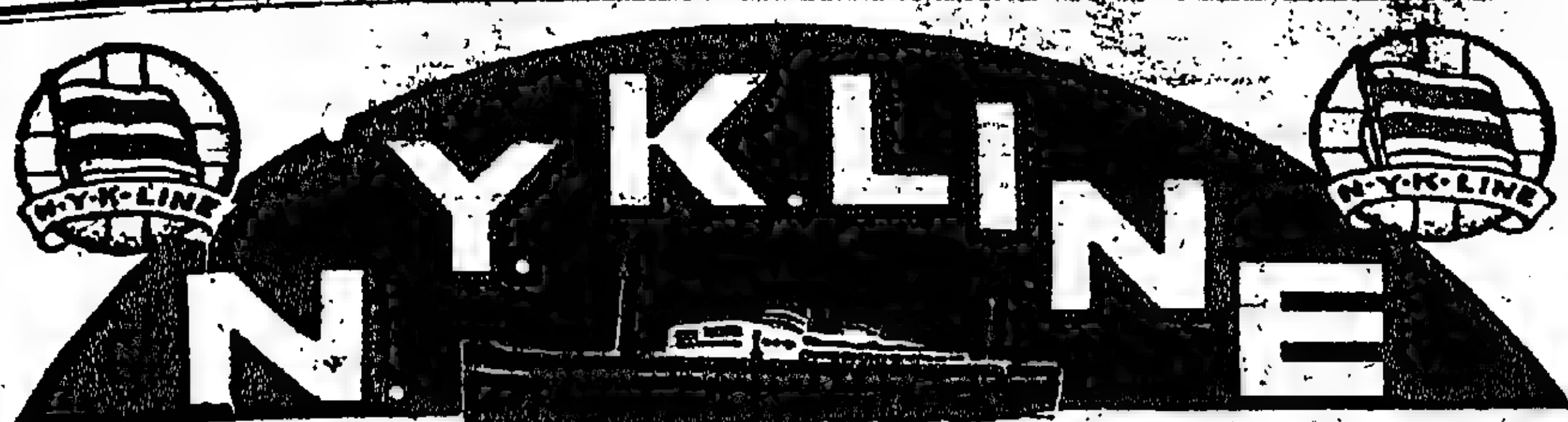
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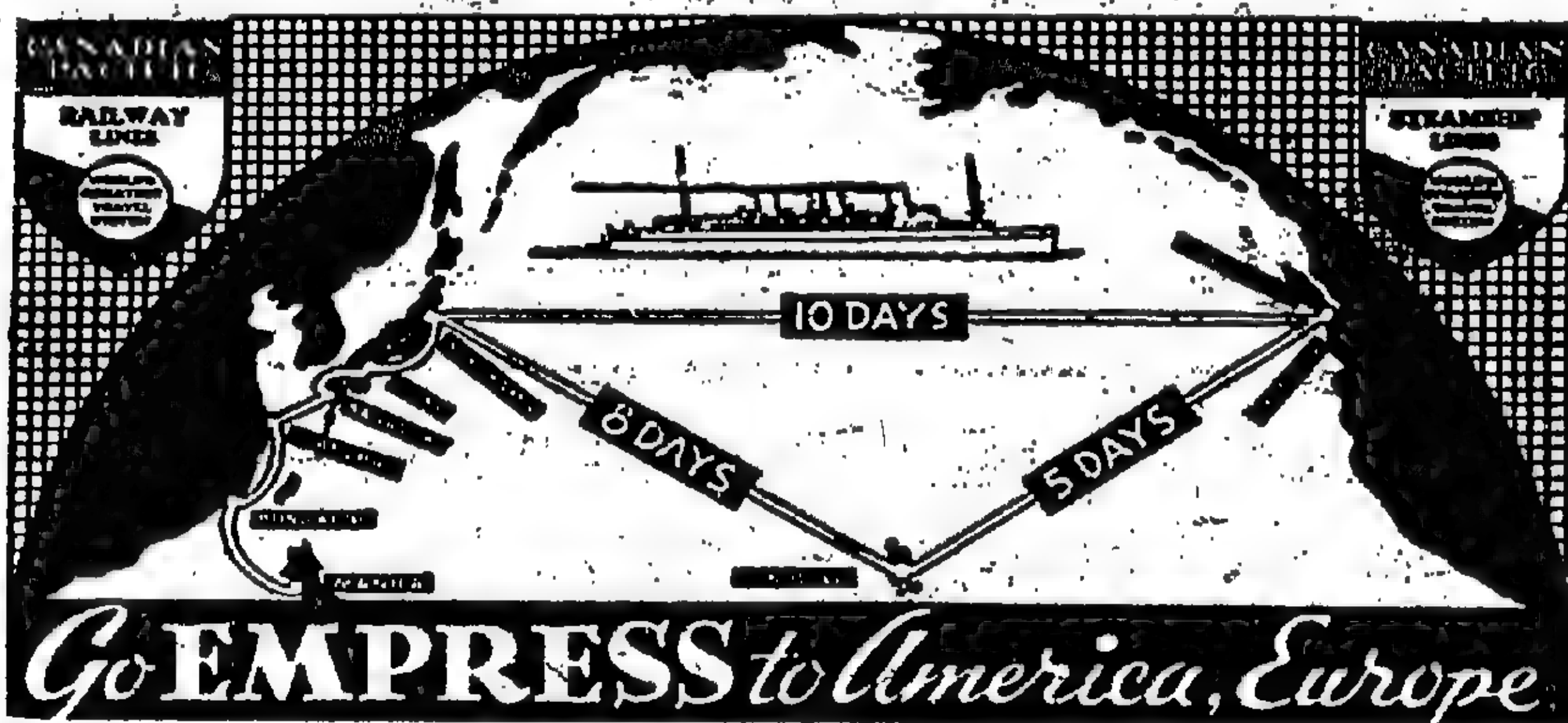
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R. Keown and Miss Summers (Taikoo).
lost to M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva 6-21
lost to J. J. Remedios and Miss M. Ribeiro 6-21
lost to L. Cavalho and Miss O. Ribeiro 10-21
H. Smith and Miss Cunningham (Taikoo).
lost to Oliveira and Miss Silva 5-21
lost to Remedios and Miss Ribeiro 10-21
lost to Cavalho and Miss Ribeiro 23-24
S. Newman and Miss Pollock (Taikoo).
lost to Oliveira and Miss Silva 10-21
lost to Remedios and Miss Ribeiro 10-21
lost to Cavalho and Miss Ribeiro 10-21

ST. ANDREW'S v K. TONG
W. C. Choy and Mrs. J. Stokes (St. Andrew's).
beat R. E. Lee and Miss M. Xavier 21-17
beat A. W. da Roza and Mrs. A. E. H. Castro 21-11
beat F. Tsang and Mrs. A. W. da Roza 21-18
E. F. Fincher and Miss F. Wong (St. Andrew's).
beat Lee and Miss Xavier 21-16
lost to da Roza and Mrs. Castro 18-21
beat Tsang and Mrs. da Roza 21-6
H. Kew and Miss M. Churn (St. Andrew's).
lost to Lee and Miss Xavier 6-21
beat da Roza and Mrs. Castro 21-13
lost to Tsang and Mrs. da Roza 16-21

It is notified that the N.Y.K. have relinquished the Agency in Hong Kong of the Kokusai Kisen Kaisha, as far as the Outward voyage of their Orient-New York Line is concerned, as from the end of January, 1938.

It is understood that the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, Hong Kong, will act as from February 1st, and all inquiries and communications should be addressed to the O.S.K.

The E. & A. Steamship "Tanda" will leave for Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama on or about Sunday, 16th February, at midnight.

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HONG KONG TO ITALY

p.v. "Victoria" 18th Feb.
s.s. "Conte Verde" 5th Mar.
s.s. "Conte Biancamano" 20th Mar.
s.s. "Conte Rosso" 3rd Apr.

HONG KONG TO SHANGHAI

p.v. "Victoria" 18th Feb.
s.s. "Conte Verde" 25th Feb.
s.s. "C. Biancamano" 12th Mar.
s.s. "Conte Rosso" 20th Mar.

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H.K. VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

Orders by Lieut. Colonel R. C. B. Anderson, M.C. Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, Friday, 4th February, 1938.

PARADES

1st Battery
A Section. Thursday, 10th February, 6 p.m. Belchers.
There will be no parade on Thursday, 17th February.

Camp at Pakshawan, February 18th-20th. Launch will leave Kowloon at 5.35 p.m. and Queen's Pier at 5.45 p.m.

L Section. Friday, 11th February, 5.45 p.m. Belchers.
There will be no parade on Friday, 18th February.

Camp at Pakshawan, February 25th-27th. Details later.

Signal Section. Friday, 11th February, 5.45 p.m. Belchers.
There will be no parade on Friday, 18th February.

A Section Signallers will go to Pakshawan Camp on February 18th-20th, and L Section Signallers on February 25th-27th. Details as above.

2nd Battery

Wednesday, 9th February, 5.30 p.m. H.M.S. Tamar. Lecture—Gun control. Engineer Company

Monday, 7th February, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. L.G. instruction. Course 1, Lesson 6 and 7.

Thursday, 10th February, 5.30 p.m. R.E. Instructional Shed. Ruston Hornsby instruction.

Members are reminded of the forthcoming camp during the week end 18th-20th February.

Corps Signals

Tuesday, 8th February, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Machine Gun Troop

Tuesday, 8th February, 5.15 p.m. Kennedy Road Range. Machine Gun Course Part I.

Armoured Car Section
Tuesday, 8th February, 5.10 p.m. H.Q. Revolver practice. Kennedy Road Range.

Friday, 11th February, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Cinema lecture—"Defence of a Village"

Motor Machine Gun Platoon
Same as for Armoured Car Section above.

No. 1 (M.G.) Company
Sunday, 6th February, 9 a.m. Musketry. Peak Range. Range Officer—Lt. L. B. Holmes.

Friday, 11th February, 5.30 p.m. H.Q.

No. 2 (M.G.) Company
Thursday, 10th February, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. M.G. Instruction.

All gas masks must be returned to Company stores immediately.

No. 3 (M.G.) Company
Sunday, 6th February. Those detailed in Company circular 6.1.38 will fire Rifle Table "B" at Stonecutters.

Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 8.15 a.m. and Police Pier, Kowloon, at 8.30 a.m. Rifles and equipment must be drawn before 12 noon, Saturday 5th. Dress—optional.

Range Officer to be detailed by O.C. Company.

Monday, 7th February, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. M.G. instruction—S & A, Gun and Lock.

Thursday, 10th February, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. M.G. instruction—Class A—Mechanism. Class B—Care and Cleaning.

No. 4 (M.G.) Company
Wednesday, 9th February, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Drill.

Friday, 11th February, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. M.G. instruction.

Portuguese Companies
Sunday, 13th February. Musketry (Both Companies) Firing at Stonecutters. Table "B". Range Officer—Lt. H. A. de Botelho. All men who have not completed Table "B" or who have not yet fired should attend. Launch leaves Queen's Pier at 8.20 a.m. and Kowloon Pier at 8.30 a.m. Firing commences at 9 a.m. If time permits Lewis Gun tests will also be fired by members of A.A. Company who have not yet fired.

A.A. Company. Sleeve Shooting on Sunday, 20th February. Parade at H.Q. at 8.30 a.m. All members of A.A. Company are requested to keep this date free.

Companies' Annual Shoot. Members of Portuguese Companies are reminded that the Companies' Annual Shoot will be held on Sunday, 27th February. Those who are competing in any of the events are requested to send in their entrance form as soon as possible. Details have already been issued.

Tuesday, 8th February, 5.30 p.m. H.Q.

No. 5 (M.G.) Company. Class 1 and 2—Mechanism. Class 3 and Recruits—I.A.

A.A. Company. Lewis Gun training. All Categories—Recapitulation of I.A. Stoppages.

Reminder. Competition on I.A. Stoppages will take place at H.Q. commencing 15th February.

Class 1—For all Officers and N.C.O.s. Class 2—For Other Ranks.

There will be 3 prizes for each class. Machine Gun Signals

Monday, 7th February. Sub-Section D. H.Q. at 5.15 p.m. Class A—Arms Drill. Class B—D/R. work.

Wednesday, 9th February. Sub-Section AD. Riding Tests.

Friday, 11th February. Sub-Sections A & B. H.Q. at 5.15 p.m. Signal training.

Army Service Corps Company
Thursday, 10th February. Lewis gun instruction at R.A.S.C. Camber at 5.30 p.m.

Pay Section
Friday, 11th February, 5.30 p.m. H.Q.

Railway Operating Detachment Cadre
—Contn. Sec.
Thursday, 10th February. Parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. Lecture—Calculation of charges.

PROMOTION & APPOINTMENTS
No. 2612 Sgm. V. C. Labrum, M.G. Signals, is promoted Col./Sgt. and appointed C.Q.M.S.—4.2.38.

No. 1321 Sgm. T. S. D. Whitley, M.G. Signals, is appointed L/Cpl.—4.2.38.

TRANSFER
No. 2612 Spr. V. C. Labrum from Engineer Company to M.G. Signals—4.2.38.

STRENGTH—INCREASE
No. 2995 Private K. C. Chan, No. 4 (M.G.) Coy., joined 2.2.38.

No. 2996 Private F. C. Chan, No. 4 (M.G.) Coy., joined 2.2.38.

No. 2997 Private K. F. Wong, No. 4 (M.G.) Coy., joined 2.2.38.

No. 2998 Private Henry H. M. Kwok, No. 3 (M.G.) Coy., joined 3.2.38.

S. F. HEDGECOCKE, Captain, Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

NOTICES
Sergeants' Mess Annual Dinner
The list for attendance at the Mess Dinner on the 12th instant will close at noon to-morrow 5th instant after which no application can be considered.

Presentation to Captain H. Westlake, M.B.E., D.C.M.

A cocktail party for members and past members of the Corps will be held at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 15th February to make a farewell presentation to Captain Westlake from all ranks. Unit Commanders are requested to make a point of circulating all ranks so that the Corps will be fully represented.

Corps Rifle Meeting
The Corps Rifle Meeting will be held on Kowloon Ranges on Sunday, 24th April.

Cricket
Volunteer Vs Royal Navy at King's Park on Sunday, 13th February at 11.45 a.m.

H. Owen Hughes (Captain), R. M. King, A. E. Perry, A. A. Dand, D. J. N. Anderson, R. H. Griffiths, E. C. Fincher, T. A. Madar, W. L. McKenzie, W. S. Stoker, K. A. Munro.

Rugby Football
H.K.V.D.C. v. The Army. Hong Kong Football Club, Happy Valley on Saturday, 5th February at 4.15 p.m.

Full back: J. R. Henderson. Three-quarters: L. Lammert, W. E. Grieve, F. Cessford, M. G. Carruthers. Half backs: Fly, A. H. R. Butcher; Scrum, J. L. Bonnar. Forwards: R. Leigh, W. E. Peers, J. S. Dunnett, A. G. Dalziel, B. Hynes, J. Redman, R. G. L. Oliphant, J. C. Miller (Captain). Referee—Dr. J. A. R. Selby.

AFFILIATED UNIT, NURSING DETACHMENT, H.K.V.D. CORPS
Lecture
The next lecture will be held on Monday, 7th February at the P.W.D. Offices at 5.30 p.m.

Strength—Increase
Mrs. M. Bishop—24.1.38.
Miss K. J. Archer—24.1.38.
Miss M. Barrett—24.1.38.

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Mrs. F. Owen-Hughes—4.2.38.
Mrs. D. M. Kidd—4.2.38.
Miss M. I. Tyrrell—4.2.38.
Sgd. Mrs. E. M. BEGG, Commandant, Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

Vibro Piling Dividend
Subject to audit, the Directors of The Vibro Piling Company Limited have recommended a dividend of 10% and a bonus of 20 cents per share in respect of the year ended 31st December 1937.

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KOWLOON OUT FOR SHIELD SUCCESS

STRUGGLE FOR 2ND DIV. SUPREMACY

Middlesex And 5th A.A. Bde.

CLUB JUNIORS HAVE BIG TASK

(By "UBIQUE")

The struggle for the Second Division League football Championship has now narrowed down to two teams, the Middlesex and the 5th A. A. Brigade. Royal Artillery, who are on level terms, while the Seaforths, Kwong Wah and South China, who until a fortnight ago, were also in a challenging position, have now been left behind and it is very doubtful if any of them will again offer a challenge.

The Middlesex will meet the Royal Engineers and should the latter field their best team, they should be able to fully extend the Middlesex, as they will still have their best players available.

They will be strengthened by the inclusion of Low, who gave a creditable display last week against the Royal Navy, in the Junior Shield replay.

DISAPPOINTED!

The 5th A.A. Bde. must be one of the most disappointed teams in the Second Division as they have turned up to fulfil their fixtures on several occasions only to find the opposing team absent. Last Tuesday they were down to meet the Sappers, but the latter did not turn up though their reserves did. Should the points of this game be awarded them, they will then be at the head of the table, being two points ahead of the Middlesex.

The Club registered one of the biggest victories in the Second Division this season when they trounced Eastern to the tune of 10 goals to nil last week, and this afternoon they will be up against a tough proposition in the 5th A.A. Bde. R.A.

WELL-BALANCED TEAM

The Gunners have a well balanced team with Calvert, who will be seen in action in the Association team to-morrow, as the main menace in their forward line, while in the defence Lawton and Winstanley are good.

The Kwong Wah-South China game should be interesting but both have only a remote chance of finishing near the top, and as a result the game has an important bearing. As both these teams are still in the Junior Shield competition, I feel that they will be reserving some of their players for next week.

Wong Wai-kai, former South China "A" player, will be seen for Kwong Wah, at right back, and there is a possibility that Chung Fai-lum, the South China "B" back will also be playing for them.

In the remaining game Kowloon is favoured to collect both points from the Chinese Police.

HOME FOOTBALL

The correct scores the two games appended in the Northern Section of the Third Division on Saturday last were as follows:

Carlisle	0	Tranmere	0
Chester	3	Bradford C.	1



NEXT WEEK'S SOCCER PROGRAMME

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12
Senior Shield (Second Round)
Seaforths v South China "B"
(Sookunpoo, 4 p.m.)
Referee:—Martin.
Linesmen:—Brothwell and F. W. Smith.

Kowloon Chinese v Navy
(Causeway Bay, 4 p.m.)
Referee:—Omar.
Linesmen:—Hopson and F. G. Smith.

Kowloon or St. Joseph's v Middlesex
(Kowloon, 4 p.m.)
Referee:—Smyth.
Linesmen:—Stone and Phillips.

South China "A" v Eastern
(Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.)
Referee:—MacCormac.
Linesmen:—Morecroft and Edwards.

Junior Shield (Third Round)
Chinese Police or University v Kwong Wah
(Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Ottoway.

Navy v South China
(Causeway Bay, 2.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Youngs.

Middlesex v Ordnance
(Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Clarke.

Portuguese S.A. v Seaforth
(Sookunpoo, 2.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Salter.

First Division
Club v St. Joseph's or Kowloon
(Club, 4.15 p.m.)
Referee:—Barton.
Linesmen:—Godfrey and McIlgrew.

Second Division
Club v Engineers (Chinese)
(Club, 2.45 p.m.)
Referee:—Johns.

LARGE LEAGUE CRICKET PROGRAMME

Navy Meet Recreio In Junior Clash

The following is the League cricket programme for this afternoon:—

FIRST DIVISION

I. R. C.	v	C. S. C. C.
C. de R.	v	C. C. C.
K. C. C.	v	H. K. C. C.
Army	v	Navy

SECOND DIVISION

C. S. C. C.	v	Army "A"
Navy	v	C. de R.
C. C. C.	v	University
H. K. C. C.	v	K. C. C.
P. R. C.	v	I. R. C.

Some of the teams:—

K.C.C. 1st XI—D. J. N. Anderson (Capt.), G. C. Burnett, E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, S. Jax, B. D. Lay, R. E. Lee, N. D. Lloyd, T. A. Madar, G. F. O'Brien, F. Zimmern. Umpire, J. P. Robinson. Scorer, H. Brokenshire.
K.C.C. 2nd XI—A. A. Dand (Capt.), K. M. Baxter, F. A. Broadbridge, R. T. Broadbridge, S. A. Gray, G. A. V. Hall, A. T. Lay, J. R. Luke, W. L. McKenzie, W. Mulcahy, C. B. R. Sargent, R. Baldwin (12). Umpire, H. Overy.
Army—Capt. J. R. Mackintosh-Walker, Major G. P. Murray, Lieut. R. D. MacLagan (or another), Bndsmn. Cheney, Lieut. C. E. Godby, Lieut. R. A. Barron, Lieut. Wheble, Lieut. L. C. Beadnell, Lieut. M. P. Weedon (or Lieut. C. M. M. Man), Pte. Hatfield and Pte. Gombel.
C.C.C. 1st XI—E. Zimmern (Capt.), P. J. Billimoria, A. R. H. Esmail, A. Gobind, A. B. Hamson, A. K. Ismail, A. T. Lee, F. K. Lee, G. Souza, J. E. Youngsaye and F. R. Zimmern.
H.K.C.C. 1st XI—A. W. Hayward, L. T. Ride, J. H. B. Leckie, H. W. Baines, F. Marshall, T. A. Pearce, J. L. C. Pearce, M. F. L. Haymes, H. D. Bidwell, H. Owen Hughes, M. R. Swain.
H.K.C.C. 2nd XI—E. J. R. Mitchell, F. H. Stokes, G. A. Stewart, R. M. King, V. Bond, R. S. W. Paterson, C. W. E. Bishop, N. P. Fox, D. S. Robb, H. J. Armstrong, W. Stoker.

MEET ST. JOSEPH'S IN 1ST ROUND REPLAY THIS AFTERNOON

ROWLANDS AND EVANS IN LAST APPEARANCES

EASTERN ENTERTAIN MIDDLESEX IN LEAGUE CLASH

(By "OUTSIDE-LEFT")

KOWLOON Football Club stand an excellent chance of entering the Second Round of the Senior Shield Competition when they meet St. Joseph's, in their First Round replay to-day, after having shared two goals in their first clash. It will be recalled that the Saints secured their equaliser in practically the last minute of that encounter.

TO-DAY THE SAINTS WILL BE FIELDING A VERY MUCH WEAKER TEAM THAN THAT OF THE PREVIOUS OCCASION. AS THEY WILL BE WITHOUT THE SERVICES OF PICKERING, AT FULL-BACK, AND CONNOR, IN GOAL, AND IT WAS THESE TWO PLAYERS WHO SAVED THE SAINTS FROM A CRUSHING DEFEAT.

Kowloon can consider themselves lucky, however, as Rowlands, their goalkeeper, and Evans, their left-half, will most probably be making their last appearances in the Colony to-day before they leave by the troopship for Home, and their inclusion will undoubtedly strengthen the side.

D. Knox, following an injury in the Governor's Cup match, which kept him out of local soccer last week, will make a reappearance in the centre-forward berth, while V. White, who was injured against the Middlesex last week, will be an absentee, and his place will be filled by Evans, who moves up from the intermediate line, Honiball filling the left-half vacancy.

Souza will make a return to the right-back position, and Eastman will move up to left-wing.

GOSANO PLAYING?

R. Marques makes a comeback between the sticks for the Saints, while Costa and R. Alves or D. Leonard will comprise the full-back division.

Bertie Gosano, who is at present in the Colony on a short holiday, may turn out for the Saints as centre-forward, in which case Leonard will be moved back to the left-back position.

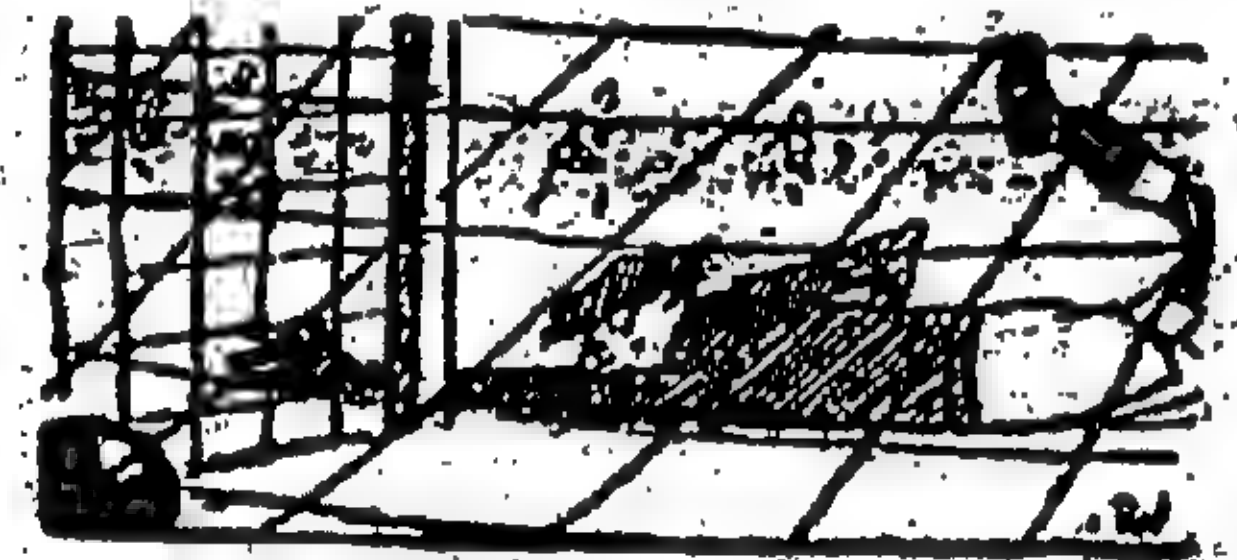
The Saints will maintain the same forward line as on the last occasion with the exception of the possible change in leadership, which I mentioned above.

WHEN OCCASION CALLED

The Saints have not fared very well in the League to date and their chances of victory against Kowloon to-day must be judged on their League performances, although I have known them to pull an extra trick or two out of the bag when the occasion called for it.

There are three First Division League matches down for decision. The Seaforths should experience little difficulty against the Club in spite of the fact that they were held to a draw by Kowloon Chinese last Saturday, while the Police should beat Kowloon Chinese.

The Causeway Bay ground should be the scene of an exciting struggle when Eastern entertain the Middlesex Regiment. Both are fairly strong and have had a fair measure of success in the League so far.



FOOTBALL FORECAST FOR TO-DAY

The following is the League Football forecast for this week end:—

TO-DAY

Senior Shield (First Round Replay)
Kowloon v St. Joseph's
(Kowloon, 4.15 p.m.)
Referee:—Smyth.
Linesmen:—Sutterley & Summerville.

First Division
Seaforths v Club
(Sookunpoo, 4.15 p.m.)
Referee:—Ottoway.
Linesmen:—Whittle and Purnell.

Eastern v Middlesex
(Causeway Bay, 4.15 p.m.)
Referee:—Day.
Linesmen:—Wyper and Savage.

Police v Kowloon Chinese
(Caroline Hill, 4.15 p.m.)
Referee:—Goss.
Linesmen:—Godfrey and McIlgrew.

Second Division
Seaforths v Engineers (C.)
(Sookunpoo, 2.45 p.m.)
Referee:—Farr.

Police v Kowloon
(St. Joseph's, 2.45 p.m.)
Referee:—Gomes.

Club v 5th A.A. Bde.R.A.
(Military, 2.45 p.m.)
Referee:—Jones.

Engineers (E.) v Middlesex
(Military, 2.45 p.m.)
Referee:—Aldridge.

South China v Kwong Wah
(Caroline Hill, 2.45 p.m.)
Referee:—Rees.

TO-MORROW

Corinthians Trial Game
Football Association v South China
(Club, 3.45 p.m.)
Referee:—MacCormac.

Junior Shield
Police v University
(Club, 2.15 p.m.)
Referee:—Youngs.

SIX EVENTS FOR MACAO RACE MEET

FITTING PRELUDE TO ANNUAL RACE MEETING

NORTHERN JOCKEYS MAY BE RIDING

(By "RAPIER")

AN attractive programme of six events will be contested at the Areia Preta Race Course, Macao, to-morrow, when the Macao Race Club will stage their February Meeting, and this should serve as a fitting prelude to the Annual Race Meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, to be held in the latter part of this month.

Fairly satisfactory entries have been received, and it is gratifying to note that our lady riders are again catered for, the last race being reserved for them.

At the time of writing these notes, the weather is brilliantly mild, and should this be maintained, I expect to see quite a large number of people from Hong Kong making the trip to Macao, especially Chinese supporters of racing.

Furthermore, I anticipate that at least some of the Northern jockeys will be present, although they may not actively participate, and their presence should lend additional interest to the occasion. In the circumstances, therefore, we may confidently look forward to an afternoon of enjoyable racing.

1. THE SUN CHUN HANDICAP: SIX FURLONGS:

Subscription griffins of the Macao Race Club that have won more than \$300.00 since January 1, 1937, are barred from this race, and starters should narrow down to the following:—

Country Flower (K. S. Shu).
Gold Clause (C. L. Gregory).
Hogmanay (W. G. Poy).
Hohenfels (S. C. Liang).
Wood Nymph (L. B. Chao).

Ridden by Mr. Poy, Hogmanay came in second to Coureur Bleu in the Ching Hoi Handicap, over seven furlongs, at the previous Meeting, and on that account alone I nominate it to win this time, despite its heavy burden of 163 lbs. The second and third places should be filled by Gold Clause and Hohenfels respectively.

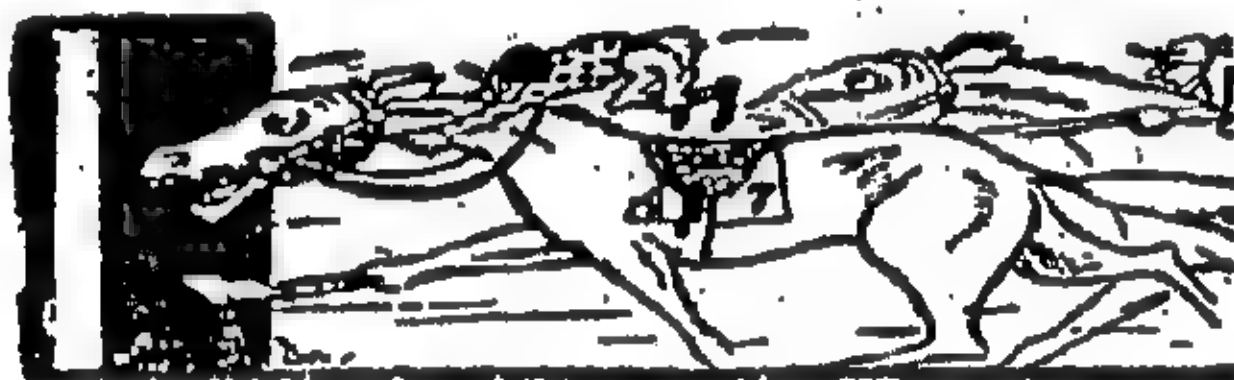
2. THE GOOD LUCK HANDICAP: SEVEN FURLONGS:

In this race, ponies that have won more than \$500.00 are barred, and it is expected that the following will face the starter:—

Coureur Bleu (B. L. Tao).
Fairy Auk (K. S. Shu).
Fairy Ousel (C. L. Gregory).
Hopefulleg (L. B. Chao).
Merry Maker (W. G. Poy).

As a result of its win in the Ching Hoi Handicap, over seven furlongs, Coureur Bleu is favoured to carry off this event, but it will probably be seriously challenged by Hopefulleg, in view of the fact that it came in second to Shanghai 4 in the Christmas Handicap, over one mile. At any rate, these two ponies should fight out the finish leaving Merry Maker to fill third place.

3. THE SHEUNG YUEN HANDICAP: SIX FURLONGS: This race is confined to "E" Class ponies of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, and an interesting duel should ensue between the following probable starters:—



Copper Idol (S. C. Liang).
Gold Sovereign (B. L. Tao).
Mac's Adventure (Cooper).
Persian Cat (C. L. Gregory).
Widnes.

In the last race of the 13th. Extra Race Meeting, held at the Valley, Gold Sovereign, with B. L. Tao up, came in second to Firefly, and this should serve as sufficient recommendation to carry off this race, unless the unexpected happens. I fancy Widnes to take second place, and Copper Idol for the other minor position.

4. THE VICTORY HANDICAP: SIX FURLONGS:

What should probably develop into the best finish of the day will come from the participants in this race, which is confined to subscription griffins of any season.

Carrying 160 lbs., Shanghai 4 is giving away a good deal of handicap to the other ponies, but, in spite of this, I feel confident that Mr. S. C. Liang will again pilot the pony to another win for its owner, Mr. J. H. Potts.

Shanghai 4 is the champion sub of Macao, and it will be equal to the task to-morrow, despite its heavy burden. Victory Life and Shih Grand should fill the other positions.

5. THE GOOD HEALTH HANDICAP: ONE MILE:

This is another race reserved for ponies of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, "D" Class. Having seen Gold Coin in morning training, and as it will be ridden by Mr. Tao, I favour it to win, as the opposition is far from being strong. Voltalre is likely to fill second place, with National Spirit third.

6. LADIES' SPRINT (UNOFFICIAL) HALF MILE:

At the previous meeting, Miss Beryl Fair won on Merry Maker, and I recommend keeping her in mind. Ponies that have not won at this Meeting will figure in this race, so the best I can do is to leave my readers to judge for themselves after having seen the other races.



A tussle for the ball during the friendly hockey game, last Saturday between St. Andrew's Ladies and the C.B.A. Ladies at King's Park. At the extreme right is Miss Margaret McAlpine, while on the left is Miss Jessie Wong. ("Mail" photo).

CHINA NEW YEAR MEETING FOR KWANTI

Full Programme Of Six Events

The following is the Fanling Hunt and Race Club's programme for their China New Year Meeting, which will be held over the Kwanti Course on Sunday, February 13:—

1.—2.45 p.m.—"The Lo Wu Handicap"—A Steeplechase of 1½ miles for China Ponies. Winners of a steeplechase this season barred. Winner a Cup or \$50; 2nd \$25; 3rd \$15. Entry Fee \$3.
Araxy (158), Ascot (148), Chiushan (161), Double Chance (152), Ebony Idol (165), King's Worthy (161), Nebular Star (145), Pinkie (152), Pride of Tsingtao (158), Widnes (158).

2.—"The Australian Country Cup"—Over the Country Course finishing on the Race Course. For Australian Ponies. Winners at Kwanti this season barred. Catchweight 160 lbs. Winner a Cup or \$50; 2nd \$25; 3rd \$15. Entry Fee \$3.
Beauty, Cherokee, Fairy, Flummery, Hercules, Juliette, Kiola, Saltire, Spark Plug, Strathcarrick.

3.—"The Grand Military Handicap & Sassoon Cup"—1½ miles. A hurdle race for China Ponies, Government Chargers, or the property of an Officer on the Active List of H. M. Forces or a member of the Machine Gun Troop of the H.K.V.D.C. To be ridden by those qualified to enter. Winner the Sassoon Cup, to remain the property of the winner for one year, with replica presented; 2nd \$25; 3rd \$15. Entry Fee \$3.
Cloudy Eve (150), Double Chance (158), Estover (168), Jack Scott (158), King's Parade (158), Mortmain (155), Mountain View (158), Public Hero No. 1 (150), Zero (155).

4.—"The Jorrock Plate"—A hurdle race of 1¼ miles for China Ponies, bona fide Hunters. Winners of any race at Kwanti this season and ponies placed in the Hunters' Hurdle Race barred. Catchweight 168 lbs. Winner a Cup or \$50; 2nd \$25; 3rd \$15. Entry Fee \$3.
Ballyhoo, Canary, Cloudy Eve, Clowner, Darien, Double Chance, Gobi Morn, Herga, Jack O'Lantern, Jock Scott, Magnolia, Nebular Star, Penny Farthing, Public Hero, No. 1, Racing Strain, Rice-land, Siamese Cat, The Cheetah, The Minx, The Roundhead, Three Farthings.

5.—"The Polo Scurry"—3 furlongs for China Ponies bona fide Polo Ponies. Winners at Kwanti this season barred. To be ridden by members of the Hong Kong Polo Club. Catchweight 168 lbs. Winner a cup or \$50; 2nd \$25; 3rd \$15. Entry Fee \$3.
Festival Eve, Fetlar, Heriot, March Brown, Siamese Cat, That's That, The Minx.

6.—"The Ladies' Race"—A flat race of ½ mile for China Ponies that have started at this Meeting and not been placed First or Second. To be ridden by ladies. Catchweight 140 lbs. Winner a cup or \$50; 2nd \$25; 3rd \$15. Post Entries. Entry Fee \$3.



CAER CLARK CUP PROGRAMME

"Y" Ladies Should Clinch Issue To-day

Two fixtures in the Caer Cup League will be held this afternoon and the "Y" Ladies, holders of the title, should clinch the issue when they meet St. Andrew's Ladies, on the C.B.A. ground.

The "Y" have so far been unbeaten and are at the moment at the head of the table with six points from three games, while the H. K. Ladies, although having the same number of points, have played two more games.

The C.B.A. ladies will meet the H. K. Ladies on their own ground at 3 p.m.

There is a full programme of three Brawn Cup matches down for decision.

The following is to-day's programme:

Caer Clark Cup
C.B.A. Ladies v H.K. Ladies
(C.B.A. ground, 3 p.m.)
St. Andrew's Ladies v "Y" Ladies
(C.B.A. ground, 4.15 p.m.)

Brawn Cup
Recreio Ladies v C.B.A. Ladies
(Shamshui, 3 p.m.)

"Y" Ladies v C.B.S. "B"
(C.B.S. ground, 3 p.m.)
St. Andrew's v Seaforths
(Y ground, 3 p.m.)

ENGLAND HOCKEY PLAYERS PLEASE NOTE!

Will all ENGLISH hockey players who wish to participate in the International Tournament to be held under the auspices of the Hong Kong Hockey Club, please get in touch with Mr. D. T. Smith, the England representative, immediately, care of the American Express Co. Ltd. Hong Kong Bank Chambers.

GYMKHANA AT FANLING THIS AFTERNOON

The Cottage Club will hold a gymkhana at Fanling to-day, commencing at 2.30 p.m. Post entries will be received.

DON BRADMAN'S NEW RECORD

Hill's 32 Years' Total Eclipsed In 10 Years

S. AUSTRALIA COLLAPSE

MELBOURNE, JANUARY 1. DON BRADMAN, BY SCORING 54 FOR SOUTH AUSTRALIA AGAINST VICTORIA TODAY CARRIED HIS AGGREGATE IN SHEFFIELD SHIELD CRICKET TO 6,280. THIS BEATS CLEM HILL'S RECORD OF 6,274. THE RECORDS OF THE TWO GREAT SOUTH AUSTRALIANS ARE:

AUS. INNS. N.O. HIGHEST RUNS. AVER.					
Bradman	69	11	452*	6,280	108.20
Hill	126	6	365*	6,274	52.28

* Not out.

* Not out.

Whereas Hill made his runs over a period of 32 years, Bradman did not make his appearance in the Sheffield Shield until 1927. Since then he has missed one season (1934-35), when he was recovering from an appendicitis operation.

The match which began to-day was important for the selectors, for at least thirteen players are either probabilities or possibilities for the team to tour England.

INCREASED REPUTATIONS

Two of them increased their reputations, C. L. Badcock batted in fine style for 50 in 72 minutes, including six 4's, and L. O'B. Fleetwood-Smith, the left-handed slow bowler, has so far taken 8 wickets for 123 runs.

South Australia, holders of the Sheffield Shield, failed to maintain the fine start given them by Badcock, Bradman and R. S. Whittington, and when stumps were drawn they were 287 for 9.

AUSTRALIANS LEAVE

London, December 29.—The Australian Rugby League tourists left Leeds for London yesterday en route for France, where they will play ten matches, the first on Saturday. The tour will last until the end of January, when the tourists will return to their likely headquarters for 10 or 12 days before leaving for home. They hope to play a match with Wales at Pontypridd on February 5.

H. B. Young won both scratch and handicap events in the Cambridge Harriers' annual Christmas Day race. His time for the 3 miles in Charlton Park was 15min. 34sec.

BOROTRA'S SKI-ING MISHAP

Right Leg Injury

St. Moritz, December 29. Jean Borotra, the French lawn tennis player, tore some ligaments in his right leg while ski-ing down the Suvretta slope on Sunday.

He stated to-day: "It was my own fault. I was going much faster than my ski-ing knowledge justified. Suddenly, the skis ran away with me, and I turned a somersault." Borotra will have to stay in bed for at least a week. It is expected that he will be "all right" in a month. His doctor hopes that the accident will not affect his tennis.

CURTIS CUP GOLF MATCH DATES

New York, December 31.

The Curtis Cup match between women golfers of Great Britain and the United States has been arranged for Sept. 7 and 8 at the Essex County Club, Manchester (Mass.).

The American open championship will be played at Cherry Hills Club, Englewood, Colorado, on June 9, 10 and 11, the amateur championship at Oakmont Country Club, Pennsylvania, on Sept. 12 to 17, and the women's amateur championship at Westmoreland Country Club, Wilmette, Illinois, on September 19 to 24.

NEXT SEASON'S INTERNATIONAL TRIAL MATCHES

London, January 1.

International trial matches for next season were allotted yesterday by the Rugby Union Committee, at their meeting in London, to Lancashire, on December 3 and to Somerset on December 17.

It was announced that matches during the Australian tour in England in the 1939-40 season have been allotted as follows: North 3 games, Midlands 2 games, South-West 2 games and South-East 3 games, with an international match against England at Twickenham.

SCOTS' BOYS RUGBY WIN OVER ENGLAND HALVES IN LIMELIGHT BEHIND VERY STRONG PACK

(By PETER LAWLESS)

London, January 1.

English P.S. 13 pts. Scottish P.S. 14 pts. IN the annual match at the Richmond Athletic Ground, yesterday, Scottish Schoolboys beat English Schoolboys by a goal, a penalty goal and two tries to two goals and a try.

The Scottish forwards, well-grounded in the elements of scrummaging, bound tight and packed low, to the discomfiture of the English pack, whose ill-assorted front row were hump-backed and unable to benefit by the power behind them. In the checks, too, the Scottish forwards came from mobility to solidity with praiseworthy lack of delay, so that the outsiders saw far more of the ball than the opposition.

The Scottish halves, Wilcox and Cosh, with the ball coming out cleanly, were the undoubted masters of the English pair, and their capital combination enabled the three-quarter line, in which McNeil gave a most promising display, to test the good English defence to the utmost.

GATFORD HANDICAPPED

The troubled times forward, with the inevitable slow heeling, gave Gatford, the English scrum-half, the briefest of time to get his partner, Rhodes, on the move. With the game running, as luck would have it, away from the Schools' sprint champion, Lockwood, we saw some spirited running by Pearce on the right wing. Hollis, a great tryer, emerged as the best of the three-quarters, Walshe, after some early bursts, failing to hold his passes.

Of the full-backs Corker fielded well and kicked accurately. Harper was not so severely tested, but did what he had to do with competence, and kicked a truly great penalty goal from 30 yards out and near the touch-line.

GENUINE WORKERS

Newton, Macdonald and Alexander were the Scottish forwards who chiefly took my fancy in a level lot, while Masters and Morison struck me as genuine all-round workers for the losers.

Cosh scored a try with a run from his own 25, pursued to the last by Hollis, and kicked the goal. Rhodes dribbled on to score after a run by Pearce, who beat the full-back, but was grandly tackled by Newton. Hollis went over from a perfect inside pass shot at him by Rhodes, who had broken through cleverly. Masters converted.

SCORES LEVELLED

Just before half time Wilcox made the scores level, gathering from the feet of an English forward and beating a bunch of defenders. Harper, a right-footed kick, failed with the conversion and also the decapitation of Wilcox, who had strangely prostrated himself on the left to place the ball.

In the second half a kick ahead by McNeill gave Strathie the opportunity to dribble on and score. Then Harper kicked as fine a goal as one could see from Murrayfield to Twickenham from 30 yards out and nearing the touchline. No-side followed a try by Morison, who ran with speed and power. Roe converted.

English P.S.—P. Corker (Tonbridge); F. P. Pearce (Uppingham), G. Hollis

DON BUDGE'S FUTURE

Family Urging Him To Turn Professional

Oakland (Cal.), December 23.

"Neither Don nor we are any too well off," stated Mrs. Budge, mother of the Wimbledon and American champion, speaking for his family, who are urging him to join the ranks of the professional players.

The decision as to whether or not he will turn professional will be up to Don when he returns from his tour of Australia. Mrs. Budge added.

Budge has indicated that he would like to defend the Davis Cup, won from Great Britain last year, at least once. It is estimated that he would be capable of earning \$20,000 in two seasons as a professional.—Reuter.

(St. Edward's), E. H. Walshe (Bedford), J. F. Lockwood (Queen Elizabeth's, Barnet); B. W. Rhodes (Oundle) (capt.), H. J. H. Gatford (Oundle); J. A. Leybourne (Sedburgh), P. M. Masters (Haileybury), P. J. Roe (Dover), F. D. Morison (Rugby), D. J. P. Johnston (Epsom), L. E. Grose (Brighton), A. U. M. Campbell (Radley), F. Hilton (Rossall).

Scottish P.S.—W. M. Harper (Merchiston); D. J. F. Watson (Sedburgh), D. M. Strathie (Rugby), G. D. McNeill (Loretto) (capt.), D. J. H. Vass (Glenalmond); S. H. Cosh (Edinburgh Acad.), H. A. R. Wilcox (Edinburgh Acad.); J. M. Weir (Merchiston), R. C. Steir (Glenalmond), A. B. Jeffery (Watson's), K. Alexander (Edinburgh Acad.), A. A. S. Stewart (Fettes), R. D. Macdonald (Fettes), B. A. H. Newton (Loretto), J. Williamson (Dollar).

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INTERNATIONAL SOFTBALL SERIES

TWO SEMI-FINALS SCHEDULED FOR TO-MORROW

CHINA "A" AND U.S.A. SHOULD WIN EASILY

TO-DAY'S "SPOTLIGHT"

(By "SHORTSTOP")

THE semi-finals of the International Softball Series will be played off to-morrow morning beginning at 10 a.m., on the C.B.A. ground, King's Park. China "A" will meet India in the first game, and Hong Kong will cross bats with U.S.A., in the following encounter.

THESE TWO GAMES SHOULD RESULT IN WALK-OVERS FOR CHINA AND U.S.A., BUT AS INDIA SPRUNG A SURPRISE OVER CHINA "B" LAST MONDAY, FANS MAY EXPECT ANYTHING TO HAPPEN TO-MORROW.

The Indian boys, led by Kassa Nazarin, prominent cricketer, have been spurred on by their recent victory, and they will be out there with bells on. Their fielding is a pleasure to watch, but their batting needs considerable brushing up.

Hong Kong has little hope of winning their game against the more experienced American gang. A greater amount of baseball sense would have to be injected into the local boys before they can win any ball games when they come up against stiff competition.

"SPOTLIGHT"

David ("I hope so!") Walker, catcher for the Hong Kong Baseball Club last season, and seen in their outfield in the softball squad in the present season, was born in Dundee, Scotland.

At the early age of five years, Dave went to Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, with his parents, and resided there until he came to the Colony in 1933.

Dave attended General Wolfe and General Brock grade schools, where he was prominent in soccer and baseball. In soccer, he played centre-forward, and was catcher for the Simon Fraser School in baseball.

BEHIND THE BAT

He was an absentee from outdoor sports for a considerable number of years when he was serving an apprenticeship in pharmacy, but entered inter-collegiate baseball with the University of British Columbia nine, where he shone behind the bat. After a year of botany at the University, Dave joined the British Columbia School of Pharmacy and Science where he graduated in 1923.

Although he has been in Hong Kong for the past five years, he did not take an active interest in baseball until 1936, when he joined the Canadian Baseball Club, as catcher. The Club was disbanded last year, and Dave then "caught" for the Hong Kong Baseball Club, doing sterling work behind for Butch McCall, the speed ball artist and first string hurler for the Club.

"COULD BE RELIED ON"

Dave's first connection with softball dates back to 1921, when it was indoor baseball. A righthander,

who bats on the portside, Dave could be relied on to make a hit in a tight spot, and there were many a two-bagger that he would clout to bring in men on bases. Baserunners would gleefully steal sacks and jeer "Annie-over!" whenever Dave caught in a game, but there were times when he would fool them.

Dave's presence on a diamond is always an added asset to a team. With his spontaneous wit and repartee, he has brightened many a ball game, and the reply that is his usual wont on any question is the famous comeback of come-backs: "I hope so!" for which there is absolutely no retaliation.



U. S. — EUROPEAN ATHLETIC MEET POSTPONED A YEAR

Berlin, To-day.

The athletic meeting between the United States and Europe, scheduled to take place this year in the Olympic Stadium in Berlin, has been postponed till next year.

Reason is the holding this year of the European athletic championships in Paris.—Trans-Ocean.

I believe that the Hong Kong Hockey Club have cancelled their intended visit to Macao and that several Navy teams have also cried off at the last moment. This is a serious blow to the Portuguese Island as they rely on visiting teams to give them the necessary practice before the Inter-port series.



SCOTLAND MEET WALES TO-DAY IN RUGBY CLASSIC

Wilfred Wooller Displaces Claude Davey

COUNTRIES LEVEL IN NUMBER OF VICTORIES

The second of the International Rugby classics will take place this afternoon, at Murrayfield, when Scotland meet Wales in what promises to be a most interesting match, in view of the eight new "caps" in the home side.

Wales have already secured the lead in the series, having beaten England, at Cardiff, on January 15, by a goal, two penalty goals and a try (14 points) to a goal and a try (8 points).

Wales have made one change from the team which beat England, Wilfred Wooller returning to the left-centre three-quarter berth in place of Claude Davey, who has been dropped. In view of Claude Davey's brilliant defence in the first match, his "dropping" comes as a great surprise.

Scotland's plea for younger players has met with a generous response from the selectors, while the Universities are represented by J. G. S. Forrest of Cambridge University, and J. B. Borthwick, of Stewart's College.

Scotland: *G. Roberts (Watsonians); *A. H. Drummond (Kelvinside Academicals), R. C. S. Dick (Guy's Hospital), D. J. Macrae (St. Andrews University), and *J. G. S. Forrest (Cambridge University); R. W. Shaw (Glasgow High School, F.P.) and *T. F. Dorward (Gala); *J. B. Borthwick (Stewart's College, F.P.), *J. D. Hastie (Melrose), W. M. Inglis (Royal Engineers), G. B. Horsburgh (London Scottish), *A. Roy (Waterloo), W. B. Young (Cambridge University), P. L. Duff (Glasgow Academicals), and *W. H. Crawford (United Services).

* New "cap."
Wales:—V. G. J. Jenkins (London Welsh); W. H. Clement (Llanelli), J.

VOLUNTEERS MEET ARMY TO-DAY IN RUGBY GAME

Club "A" Encounter
H.M.S. Cumberland

A fairly evenly contested Rugby match should be witnessed on the Club ground this afternoon when the Volunteers and the Army clash in their annual encounter.

This game will commence at 4.15 p.m. and will be preceded at 3 p.m. by a game between the Club "A" fifteen and H.M.S. Cumberland.

The following are the Volunteer and Club sides:

Club:—G. Low; H. van Leeuwen, M. W. MacGrath, E. M. Watts, H. F. Hopkins; C. W. Lyle, R. Rutherford; K. H. G. White; K. A. Watson (Captain), A. W. Holden; E. C. Luscombe, A. S. Olsen; H. W. E. Heath, A. J. G. Taylor and J. K. Birt.

Volunteers:—J. R. Henderson; L. Lammert, W. E. Grieve, F. Cessford, M. G. Carruthers; A. H. R. Butcher, J. L. Bonnar; R. Leigh, W. E. Peers, J. S. Dunnett; A. G. Daziel, B. Hynes; J. Redman, R. G. L. Oliphant and J. C. Miller (Captain).

BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRIES CLOSE TO-DAY AT 6 P.M.

Entries close to-day at 6 p.m. for the Colony Badminton Championships and intending participants are advised to send in their forms to A. L. Fisher Esq., c/o H. K. Telephone Co.

Idwal Rees (Swansea), W. Wooller (Cardiff); A. Bassett (Aberavon) and H. Tanner (Swansea); Cliff Jones (Captain), W. J. Travers (Newport), E. Morgan (Swansea), H. Rees (Cardiff), E. Watkins (Cardiff), H. McCauley (Newport), A. M. Rees (London Welsh), H. Vickery (London Welsh) and F. L. Morgan (Swansea).

Results for the past 10 seasons are as follows:—

1928	Wales	11-0
1929	Wales	14-7
1930	Scotland	12-9
1931	Wales	13-8
1932	Wales	6-0
1933	Scotland	11-3
1934	Wales	13-6
1935	Wales	10-6
1936	Wales	13-3
1937	Scotland	13-6

Of the 48 matches played to date, Scotland have won 23, Wales 23 and two have been drawn.



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12.30 p.m.—Gilbert & Sullivan Excerpts 'The Pirates Of Penzance' Overture. Light Opera Orchestra under direction of Rupert D'Oyly Carte.
Pour, O Pour, The Pirate Sherry. Stuart Robertson & Male Chorus. When Fredric Was A Little Lad. Dorothy Gill.
Oh, Better Far To Live And Die. Peter Dawson & Male Chorus.
O, False One, You Have Deceived Me. Dorothy Gill and Derek Oldham.
12.47 p.m.—Raie Da Costa (Piano).
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal & Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Reginald Foort at the Organ.
1.13 p.m.—Orchestre Raymonde Glow Worm—Intermezzo (Paul Lincke).
Indian Mail—Descriptive (Lamothe). Berceuse (Jarnetfelt).
Dance Of The Merry Mascots (Ketelbey).
Song Of The Vagabonds (from 'The Vagabond King'—Friml).
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather Forecast and Announcements.

To-day's Wireless

Gilbert & Sullivan: Dance Music: New Variety

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1.40 p.m.—Songs by Tino Rossi (Tenor). Tant Qu'il Y Aura Des Etoiles (Hornez, Vendresse & Scotto). Chanson Pour Ma Brune (Koger & Scotto). C'est A Capri (Nazelles & Grosz).
1.50 p.m.—De Groot & His Orchestra Destiny (Baynes). La Paloma (Yradier). The Song Of Songs (Moya). La Violettera (film 'City Lights'—Padilla).
'The Waltz Dream'—Selection (O. Straus).
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7 p.m.—'In A Persian Garden'—Song Cycle. From 'The Rubaiyat' of Omar Khayyam (Fitzgerald & Liza Lehmann). Quartette: Dora Labbette, Muriel Brunskill, Hubert Eisdell and Harold Williams with Piano.
7.35 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.35 p.m.—Cortot (Piano) playing Chopin.
Valse In A Flat, Op. 69, No. 1 (Valse Des Adieux).
Tarantelle, Op. 43.
7.45 p.m.—London Relay—W. H. Berry as 'Mr. Micawber'. In some episodes

from his life. Adapted from Dickens' David Copperfield by Max Kester.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—New Variety. Records.
8.50 p.m.—London Relay—'London Log'.
9 p.m.—Local Sport Results.
9.05 p.m.—Musical Comedy Selections.
'Rose Marie' (Friml)—Selection. New Mayfair Orchestra.
This Year Of Theatre Land, 1936. Janet Lind & Webster Booth.
The Song Of The Drum (Ellis & Finck)—Selection.
Herman Finck & His Orchestra.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.
10.50 p.m.—London Relay—Scotland v. Wales. A running commentary by H. B. T. Wakelam on the International Rugby Union Football Match from Murrayfield, Edinburgh. (By courtesy of the Scottish Rugby Union).
12.40 a.m.—Close down.

9.20 a.m.—'It Happens Every Day' A revue.
10.00 a.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 10.15 a.m.
10.25 a.m.—Close Down.

TRANSMISSION 2

Frequencies—

GSH 21.53 Mc/s (13.98 m.)
GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSO 15.18 Mc/s (19.76 m.)

10.45 a.m.—Big Ben. 'They're Off.' A non-stop Variety of song, comedy, and rhythm.
11.15 a.m.—The Norbert Wethmar Trio.
11.45 a.m.—W. H. Berry as 'Mr. Micawber', in some episodes from his life.
12.00 p.m.—Dance Music.
12.10 p.m.—'The Old Folks at Home.'
12.50 p.m.—'London Log.'
1.00 p.m.—The Commodore Grand Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 1.45 p.m.
1.55 p.m.—Close Down.

TRANSMISSION 3

Frequencies—

GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSF 15.14 Mc/s (19.82 m.)
GSJ (to 3.30 p.m.) 21.53 Mc/s

1.55 p.m.—Opening Announcements.
2.00 p.m.—Big Ben. Reginald Foort, at the BBC Theatre Organ.
2.20 p.m.—'At the Black Dog.'
2.50 p.m.—Scotland v. Wales: A running commentary by H. B. T. Wakelam on the international Rugby Union football match. From Murrayfield, Edinburgh.
4.40 p.m.—The News, Saturday Sport, and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 4.45 p.m.
5.10 p.m.—Close Down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

An Australian Lament

Apparently bad luck, besides being no respecter of persons, doesn't care in which hemisphere he operates. Here is a sad tale all the way from Australia:

"Dear Mr. Culbertson: Playing rubber bridge the other day, the following hand was dealt. First I will show you only my own and partner's cards:

NORTH
S.—Q 8 7 5 3
H.—9 6 4 2
D.—A 3
C.—K 10
SOUTH
S.—A K 6 4
H.—A Q 3
D.—Q 2
C.—A Q J 3

"With the opponents remaining discreetly silent, my partner and I bid as follows:

SOUTH	NORTH
1 spade	3 spades
4 clubs	4 diamonds
4 hearts	4 spades
5 diamonds	5 spades
6 spades	

"When my four club asking bid elicited that North had first round diamond control and second round club control, besides excellent spade support as evidenced by his jump raise, a small slam, of course, became an odds-on chance. Despite partner's negative response to my four heart asking bid, I thought that there might be a play for a grand slam if he held the king of diamonds in addition to the ace. Hence, my five diamond asking bid. The denial to this held my next bid down to a small slam.

"Did I say I was thinking of a grand slam? Well, just have a look at the two hands above before glancing at the full deal which I show below. How many tricks would you expect to make on a club opening from West? Observe that we had first round control of every suit and plenty of second and third round control. I'll relieve your suspense. I made precisely eight tricks. This was the entire deal:

NORTH
S.—Q 8 7 5 3
H.—9 6 4 2
D.—A 3
C.—K 10

WEST
S.—J 10
H.—None
D.—10 8 6 4
C.—9 8 7 6 5 4 2
EAST
S.—9 2
H.—K J 10 8 7 5
D.—K J 9 7 5
C.—None

SOUTH
S.—A K 6 4
H.—A Q 3
D.—Q 2
C.—A Q J 3

"East ruffed the club lead and returned a heart. I suppose I should have finessed rather than having abandoned all chance for success, but to keep the loss down I decided to play the ace. West strangled this with a trump and I then had to lose not only another club ruff but the king of hearts and a second heart ruff.

"Looking at the hand afterward, I discovered [very sadly] that a grand slam can be made on any other lead or even at no trump. On, let us say, a diamond lead dummy's ace wins and the club suit is run off, dummy discarding two hearts. Four rounds of spades, ending in dummy, would leave the following position: Dummy would have left one spade, two hearts, and a low diamond. East would have left only the K-J-10 of hearts and the king of diamonds. Declarer's holding would be the A-Q-3 of hearts and the queen of diamonds. West's cards would not matter. The lead of dummy's last spade would now force East to unguard one of the red suits and declarer would make the rest of the tricks on a heart finesse.

"Do you think that our bidding and the fact that we ended in spades instead of no trump are open to criticism?

"Yours very truly,
"C. E., Auckland, Australia."
No, it seems to me that the final contract was a logical one and that only the demon of hard luck prevented its fulfillment.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: What is the correct opening bid on this hand:

S.—A K Q 10 16
S.—A Q 10 8 6 2
D.—3
C.—4 7

Answer: One heart.

BROADCAST FROM DAVENTRY

TRANSMISSION 1

Frequencies—

GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSO 15.18 Mc/s (19.76 m.)
GSD 11.75 Mc/s (25.53 m.)
GSB 9.51 mc/s (31.55 m.)

G.M.T.

8.15 a.m.—Big Ben. 'London Log.'
8.25 a.m.—The BBC Empire Orchestra.
9.05 a.m.—'All Kinds of People: My Work as a Theatrical Manager and Agent.' A talk by Bert Aza.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE QUEEN'S—"The Life Of Emile Zola". Warners' most ambitious film production of many months. This picture is a vibrant, tense and emotional story about the man who fought a nation with his pen and successfully championed the cause of the exiled Capt. Alfred Dreyfus. With Paul Muni in the title role, supported by distinguished players, the film is finely made and merits high rating as cinema art and fully deserves significant recognition.

AT THE KING'S—"Heidi", with Shirley Temple, Jean Hersholt, Arthur Treacher and Helen Westley. Shirley Temple's greatest triumph, supported by a great performance by Jean Hersholt. Johnna Spyri's story read and loved by millions, reproduced with all details on the screen.

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"Night Key", with Boris Karloff, Jean Rogers and Warren Hull. Playing a "straight role" Boris is seen in this picture as an inventor of a burglary system who is cheated by partners, ruined and responsible for his daughter's bleak

future. How he wrecks the system, defies the police, gangsters and force his foes to give him back his rights form the plot of the story.

AT THE STAR—"Angel"—Can a good woman love two men at the same time? A fascinating, devastating "Angel", brought to life by glamorous Marlene Dietrich both presents the problem and supplies the surprising answer. The all-star cast includes Marlene Dietrich, Herbert Marshall, Melvyn Douglas, Edward Everett Horton and Herbert Mundin.

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The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, the 3rd February, 1938, to Thursday, the 10th February, 1938, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors.

F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 26th January, 1938.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of shareholders will be HELD at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 17th. FEBRUARY, 1938, at 12 NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st. December, 1937.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 5th. FEBRUARY to THURSDAY, 17th. FEBRUARY, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 2nd. February, 1938.

EXHIBITION MATCHES

Saturday 19.2.38.
Corinthians vs. S.C.A.A.
Sunday 20.2.38.
Corinthians vs. United Services.
Saturday 26.2.38.
Corinthians vs. Civilians.
Sunday 27.2.38.
Corinthians vs. All Hong Kong.

All the matches will be played at Caroline Hill commencing each day at 4.00 p.m.

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PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 7th day of February, 1938, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Repulse Bay in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements				Contents in sq. feet.	Annual Rental	Upset Price.
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
1	405	Repulse Bay, Road.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	about	\$	\$
							As per sale plan.	20,000	250 4,000



PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 7th day of February, 1938, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Fuk Lo Tsun Road, Kowloon City in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements				Contents in sq. feet.	Annual Rental	Upset Price.
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
2	267	New Kowloon Island Lot No. 267.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	about	\$	\$
		Adjoining New Kowloon Island Lot No. 264, Full Lo Tsun Road, Kowloon City.					As per sale plan.	2,257	21 1,693

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- 9—Badminton Racket in Frame.
- 10—Four Fold Firescreen.
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- 13—G. M. Refrigerator 4 x 6 ft. 1935 model, little used, can be inspected by appointment.
- 14—Petersen Long and Short Wave Radio Gramophone with automatic recording. Cabinet Style, can be seen by appointment.
- 15—Mozart Upright Grand Piano good tone, can be seen by appointment with owner.
- 16—Dictionary on Mechanical Terms by Honer and Sprague 1936 Edition.
- 17—Wireless Engineering by L. S. Palmer 1936 Edition.
- 18—Wireless for the Amateur by J. Roussel.
- 19—Wireless To-day, short History of Wireless in One Volume by E. H. Chapman.
- 20—Small Pathex 9.5 M.M. Movie in leather case.
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- 22—Tenax ¼ Plate Camera with 6.8. C. P. Goertz Lens, in original leather case.
- 23—Large Wall Mirror in Frame.
- 24—A collection of over 2000 Old Books on all subjects.
- 25—Large Collection of Old Coins some dating back to the pre-Christian era.
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MR. HIROTA DEFENDS GERMANY

Tokyo, To-day.

All doubts as to the reliability of Germany as a co-signatory with Japan of the Anti-Comintern Pact, were dispelled by the Foreign Minister, Mr. Koki Hirota, in the House of Representatives yesterday.

Mr. Hirota stated that the German Government had forbidden direct exports of arms to China.

Thus, German-made arms recently received by China, as reported by the press, must have come by "roundabout channels."

Questioned by Mr. Sunaga, of the Proletarian Social Masses Party, Mr. Hirota said that Germany had already decided to recognise Manchukuo "without fail at a future date."

CHIANG FACTOR

The Leftist interpellator reminded Mr. Hirota of recent reports that the Berlin Government would recognise Manchukuo as soon as the Chiang Kai-shek administration collapsed.

Mr. Hirota asserted that Italy was strictly controlling shipment of arms to China.—Reuter.

British Ship Bombed And Sunk From Height Of Hundred Feet

Barcelona, To-day.

The captain of the British steamer "Alcira," sunk by bombs from an "insurgent" plane, states that the bombs were dropped from a height of 100 feet. Two of the crew were slightly wounded.

The ship carried the Union Jack, the British Red Ensign and the non-intervention control flag, which the captain maintains, was clearly visible to aircraft.

The captain added that the vessel continually followed the route recommended by the Nyon Agreement.

He clearly saw black crosses on the bombers the same as those which distinguish Franco aircraft.—Reuter.

NEW C.-IN-C. TAKES OVER COMMAND

Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble, the new Commander-in-Chief of the Royal Navy, China Station, took over this morning at 8 a.m., when a salute of 15 guns was fired and his flag hoisted on H.M.S. Cumberland.

Vice-Admiral L. G. E. Crabbe's flag will be struck on the Falmouth, at sunset to-day.

At 10 a.m. this morning, Vice-Admiral Crabbe was met by a guard of honour from the Royal Scots just prior to his departure for Home, arriving at Queen's Pier. He later boarded his barge for the P. and O. liner s.s. Chitral.

At 11.15 a.m. this morning Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble landed at

Queen's Pier to the accompaniment of a salute of 15 guns from Blackhead Fort. He inspected a guard of honour from the Middlesex Regiment, drawn up in front of Queen's Pier.

At 11.20 a.m. His Excellency the new C.-in-C. called on H. E. the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, at Government House and was met by a guard of honour drawn from the Kumaon Rifles.

The Second Battalion Royal Scots will form a guard of honour at Flagstaff House at 11.45 a.m., when H.E. The C.-in-C. returns the call of H.E. the General Officer Commanding Major-General A. W. Bartholomew, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O.

On Monday at 8 a.m. Commodore E. B. C. Dicken will salute the new Commander-in-Chief, who will return the salute.

JAPAN AND LEAGUE'S RESOLUTION

Tokyo, To-day.

"The action of the League of Nations in recommending individual assistance to China is a matter for regret both as regards the League's status and its influence on world peace," says the "Miyako," the popular daily newspaper in a leader to-day.

The paper adds that if the League sincerely desires to ensure world peace in the true sense of the term, it should attempt to "check Communistic activities by the Soviet and anti-Japanese agitation by the Chiang Kai-shek regime, which disturb the peace of the Far East."

"No matter what resolutions are adopted by the League, Japan, as the stabilising power in the Far East, will carry out her fundamental policies for establishing lasting peace in the Far East."—Reuter.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. John Alexander Fraser, M.C., Barrister-at-law, to act as Attorney General during the absence on leave of the Honourable Mr. Chaloner Grenville Alabaster, O.B.E., K.C., with effect from 5th February, 1938.

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STOP PRESS

Tokyo, To-day.

In an editorial on the League, the influential "Nichi Nichi" says that the fact that Poland and Peru abstained from voting on the four-power resolution, "eloquently bespeaks their dissatisfaction with the vigorous activities carried on by Britain, the Soviet, France and China behind the scenes."

Judging from the Polish delegate's speech, to the effect that the League resolution was drafted by some limited member countries, the journal says: "It was not too much to say that the League's important mission as an international peace organisation is on the decline."

It adds that there were indications that the League will "change into a secret diplomatic organ and a chamber of international intrigue."—Reuter.

Tokyo, To-day.

Military, political and economic measures to be taken by the Japanese Government in China, were decided at a joint meeting of the Cabinet and Imperial Headquarters.

After receiving reports on the latest developments in China it is learned that the conference reiterated the Government's announced intention to deal no longer with the Chungking administration.

The meeting decided firstly on continuation of punitive measures against the Chiang Kai-shek administration which is held guilty of sponsoring the anti-Japanese movement in China.

Secondly, establishment of Government controlled concerns in North China and the Shanghai area to assist in economic rehabilitation and development of the two areas.—Reuter.

Kobe, To-day.

Two days earlier than originally scheduled, the Chinese consulate-general here will be closed to-day. The consul-general, Mr. Wang Shou-shan, will leave for China to-morrow.—Reuter.

POPULAR FALLACIES

That there is no tide in the Mediterranean Sea.

This is not so.

There is a tide, though it is considerably less than in the Atlantic Ocean. Near Venice it amounts to 3 ft., but off the island of Zante the rise is only 9 inches. It is true, however, that the Office Appliance Co., Ltd. is now taking steps to expand and reorganize their repair department in order to be able to offer a service hitherto unprecedented in this town.

MASS RAIDS IN SOUTH PRELUDE TO INVASION?

(Continued from Page 1)

sounded early this morning but is believed to be merely due to routine raids in other parts of Kwangtung, and Canton this far has been spared yesterday's spectacular visitation.

SWATOW BOMBING

A reliable foreign report states there has been considerable bombing in the vicinity of Swatow, where air raid alarms have been sounded in the past two days, but the port itself has not been visited.

In addition to halting shipping at the second bar, it is understood that the West River is now closed to shipping.—Reuter.

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